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"THE PRINCE OF PEACE."

By Chas. G. Laybourn.

To Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, Dec. 25, 1905.

Eminent Commander and Sir Knights; Companies and Brothers:

Around the world to-day, wherever the English language is spoken, and wherever the touch of civilization has been borne, hallelujahs are ringing and carols are being sung in commemoration of the advent of the Prince of Peace 1900 years ago.

Other days are observed by us as loyal citizens of a great republic, in honor of the birth of Washington and Lincoln and other distinguished patriots, and statesmen; while in France on the 15th day of August the homage of a nation is paid at the tomb of the great emperor, whose brilliant feats on many bloody battlefields were to be consigned to the eclipse of ignominous defeat at Waterloo and whose memory was so reviled that for many years after his death none of the immediate members of his family were permitted to plant foot on French soil.

It took time: years of time, for the cloud created by the smoke of battle at Leipsic, Laon Arcio-sur-Aube, and Waterloo, to clear away sufficiently to enable the people of France, indeed of all Europe to realize the actual greatness of the "prince of warriors" **Napoleon Bonaparte.**

Ignominy, disgrace and exile marked the six last years of his existence on a lone Island, a thousand miles from the scenes of his former splendor where he had enjoyed the highest honors that could be conferred on mortal man.

But his death did not end the malignant feeling entertained toward one who possessed the greatest military genius the world has ever known. His confinement at St. Helena did not dispel the feeling of disappointment entertained by a nation that at one time stood entranced with the splendor and magnificence of a royal retinue and court that captivated all Europe.

The wonderful magnetism that at one time bound to him not only his generals and the "Old Guard," but the masses of the people, as with bands of steel, did not last beyond the zenith of his power. The innocence of genius which inspires enthusiasm and the dignity of character which awakens reverence dissolved as mist before the morning sun, as his ambitions misled him and his passions ruled him.

Nature had gifted him in wondrous



JOHN SUGGETT,
Past Master of Arcana Lodge 187.
High Priest of Anchor Chapter 67.

measure. His influence over others was manifest not only on battle-field but everywhere that men and women came in contact with him. To know him, was to love him, in the earlier years of his magnificent career, but as his nature matured and his corser elements ruled him, he became and was known to be selfish, deceitful, licentious and wicked. His glory departed even before defeat on the field of Waterloo, consigned him to the grave in which all honor and renown are observed—moral debasement.

As against this great character in history to me, the very greatest from the standpoint of innate power and mastery over men—let me set the Prince of Peace, whose rule and realm we here observe and revere, for like children taught by object lesson methods we measure men and methods by comparison, and we best can learn by studying one unknown by the things which we do know of others. We can learn of him who was born more than 19 centuries ago from studying and comparing the character and life of one who lived in our own century and who in one sense drew all men unto him.

Not less than four distinct views have been entertained by the worlds most eminent writers and thinkers, concerning the character of Christ, as depicted in the holy scriptures. They might be classed 1st as those who regard the gospel description of him as fables, and his real existence as a fiction. 2nd. those who regard the portrayal of his character in the new testament as partly mythical and partly actual and in the latter aspect—as a wonderfully good and noble character teaching pure and holy precepts formed in the pages of the first three evangelists, but denying that he was divided in any other sense than that in which any good quality, thought or emotion may be said to be divine. 3d. The conception of Christ entertained by still another class, is one more difficult to define and in the nature of a compromise between the believer and the disbellever—a faith based upon the theory that a person existed who was greater than man and less than God, one who preexisted before his birth and who possessed a deeper human character in his human career.

4th. Those who believe that Christ the Saviour of the world was "God manifest in the flesh" and that one express object of taking upon himself the human form, was to exhibit in human life, divine character, not only as an example and perfect model, but also as a manifestation of the Great

Ruler of the Universe in a form and manner that we could the better understand—as it were—in the form of an object lesson.

To me, this is the most readily understood reason for his incarnation. God as God is a mystery. God as man is comprehensible. As a perfect man he is our model and exemplar. We have all had at least one or more instances of acquaintance with a person who seemed almost perfect from the standpoint of nobility of character—of sweet disposition: of charitable nature of loving kindness: of perfect helpfulness: of even cheerfulness: of desiring the comfort and welfare of others. It is not impossible for us to almost conceive of a perfect person. Surrounded as we are by influences that tend to mold us in the form of idolators worshipping at the altar of Mammon we do not however stop in the everyday routine of life, to study the character of the Great Exemplar.

It is therefore well for us that on this, the most gladsome day of the year our thoughts are turned toward Jerusalem or rather 5 miles to the southward toward that little village of Bethlehem where the bright star lead the shepherds of the plain to the most illustrious yet the most humble birth-place the great of earth have ever known.

Not in gilded palace with marble halls or tesselated floors, midst the splendors of wealth and epulence did the Prince of Peace come.

His birth was not heralded with the boom of cannon or the thunders of artillery from citadel or castle or fortress or mountain top.

It would have been in accordance with Jewish ideas, had the King of Kings and Lord of Lords, come in pomp and great glory.

It would have been more like royalty had the successor of David been born in kingly fashion and his advent signalized by military pageants, bands of music, and other great public demonstrations more like our observance of the birth of liberty in these United States as typified by our Fourth of July demonstrations.

But the Prince of Peace was not then and is not now surrounded or characterized by panoply of war.

On the contrary his mission on earth was the promulgation of Peace. His doctrine was "Love one another as I have loved you"—His command was—"Bear ye one another's burden", his precepts were the principles of truth. His immediate ancestors were the humble of earth not the grandees of court circles. The most lowly were companions. Those who needed most his assistance could reach him without Letters of credit or ceremonials. No courtiers, or sentries, or guards or doorkeepers interviewed between the sick and the Divine Healer. No credentials of social distinction or political power were necessary to secure an audience with him under whose banner we are enlisted "In hoc signo vinces" is the sign of humility and suffering and following the example of our Great Exemplar we are told that "under this sign we shall conquer."

To every man in normal condition is given a power of faith "to receive divine truth even though unaccompanied by physical evidence," but unto most of us, these outward signs and emblems of our faith are helpful in bringing us into a closer relationship with the Divine Master. To be reminded of the cross is to encourage us to win and wear the crown.

If the Saviour of the world could come down from his high estate and take upon himself the form of man, endure the trials and suffer the shame that comes to every man who meets and buffets with the adversities of life, then we can more easily believe that he can be touched with the feeling of our infirmities, being in all things tempted like as we are."

I congratulate that man who tested and tried, and tempted in the pursuits of a busy life but with an unfaltering fifth in Christ can when the shades of night have fallen, retire to the chamber of reflection and in the silence and solitude of the hour commune with him who sticketh closer than a brother.

Commune with one who has passed through the same trials and knows all the weaknesses of human kind: whose sympathy and loving kindness cheers the fallen spirits of the pilgrim penitent, and who said "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." "Let us not be weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Such is the teaching of our Great Commander. Such the words that were spoken by Him nineteen centuries ago—but as able and helpful and cheering today as they were then.

What words were ever uttered by Napoleon, or Wellington, or Hannibal or Caesar or any of the other of the world's greatest warriors that have become immortal, and can be as aptly used today as when they were first uttered? None.

However magic and potent the words of command uttered by them their force was expended with the moment of their utterance. The long seried columns may have been moved by them to conquest and victory, but in the execution of the command thousands of lives were sacrificed to the God of War to satisfy the ambitions of kings and warriors, but the commands of the Prince of Peace have co-mingled with the music of the choirs of Heaven and today come ringing down the corridors of Time in that sweet refrain—

"Peace on Earth,
Good will to Men."

The armies that have fought the great battles of the world!—where are they? No vestige remains. E'en in the silent city of the dead you can not find even the flower of Napoleon's army, or Caesars phalanx. Perished they are and the world is not bettered because of the carnage they wrought or the blood they spilled.

But wherever the teachings of the Saviour have been taught; wherever the principles of love toward all men have been disseminated, there the tree of liberty has grown not watered by the tears of orphans and widows, made such by the bullet and sword, but nurtured by the frugal hand of yeoman and peasant happy in the affection of wife and children and sweetened by the winds of peace and contentment.

If we are grounded in the faith which we as Knights of the Cross, profess; the mortality of the body, and the immortality of the soul then it behooves us to so live that having passed through the portals of the grave, we may receive the crown of victory.

TO OUR COMMANDERY.

Zion Commandery No. 2, met Christmas morning to celebrate the occasion, as usual, with expressions of goodwill toward men. The Observer is fortunate enough to be able to print the remarks of Sir Knight C. W. Critten, who responded to the "Toast to Our Commandery."

The Toast to our own Commandery—beloved Zion No. 2, is a sentiment to which we, its members, should give response with becoming modesty.

It is therefore in no spirit of vain glorious or boastful bravado that I shall say aught for this body of masonry at this time, although it is the one of my greatest pride and satisfaction.

Yet we may not be censured if we speak with a just pride, which savors not of arrogance, of this our Commandery when we hear her name mentioned in tribute of praise, we each feel a stirring of our heart emotions,—vibrant as are the sensitive chords of a sweet toned instrument.

Zion Commandery No. 2! Her present is prosperous,—her past (I speak it modestly) is glorious!

And Eminent Sir! as we look about us in our asylum on this the sweetest festal day of all the year, meeting and greeting here with us, friends near

and dear, and visiting Sir Knights from our sister Commanderies, shall we not breathe anew and each take firmer grasp upon the **Hope** which should be ours for the **future,** whose record is to be made and written by this Commandery! Ours is a Christian Knighthood and that means Knighthood of **Hope.**

It is indeed, also fitting that on this Christmas day, we reflect upon the name and character of Him under whose Banner we are enlisted!—That we pay Him Knightly and chivalrous homage on this His natal day!—That we preserve in our Knighthood the zeal which will result from clean lives and christian manhood!

The days of the Knightly Chivalry which shone out so brightly during the dark years of the middle ages, are long since gone, but their record is made and read of men and is perpetuated in the organizations of Knights Templar such as our own. Yet ours is not the same. Ours is no longer the music of martial strain and fierce emotion. Our panoply of war, —our sword and baldrick are beautiful emblems only!

The war like sternness which in those dark times of the past wielded sword in defense of innocent and helpless childhood and womanhood and of the Christian Religion, is now displaced by less warlike attributes,—loving devotion,—manly manhood—no less than of yore—steadfast righteousness and generous beneficience,— these are the qualifications of our modern Knight!

Ours is a warfare—of peace. And is not our great Commander and the great Captain of our salvation, the very **Prince of Peace!** Yes and therefore upon this day of peace—this Christ-mass—Christ feast,—we gladly bring greetings and good wishes to the dear friends who are with us and likewise to the visiting fraters from our honored sister Commanderies,— extending to each and all of them the Knightly courtesies of this hour.

And Eminent Sir! For Zion Commandery as for these our friends, I look out upon the future with the **hope,** with which this day is fraught with deep significance.

The Star of Bethlehem was the star of Hope for the world. It was the morning star o'er those Judean Hills, of the era of Hope ushered into the world on Christ's natal day.

That era is moving grandly on. Our Commandery is one of its organizations and is carrying banners under our great Commander the Kink. I therefore set my face willingly to the future and as I peer into its secrets, I falter not, for adown the vista of the unfolding years, I see Zion Commandery still marching on,—firm of step and erect of carriage, while, borne upon the favoring breeze, I hear the distance mellowed cadence of that beautiful, song,— hymn of our modern Knighthood:

"Onward Christian soldiers.
Marching as to war
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before"

Zion Commandery No.2! May she live worthy up to the proud destiny which I believe is before her! May her opportunities expand and borrowing the words of Holmes to Nantilus, I would say to her

"May each new temple, nobler than
the last,
Shut thee from Heaven, with a dome
more **vast,**
Till thou at length art free—
Leaving their outgrown shell—
By life's unresting sea!"

Emminent Commander, I thank you.

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"The soul attuned to silence and music knows nothing of fear. The action of such an one, must needs be true.

From the **Masonic Standard** we learn that M. W. Frank Hurd Robinson, Grand Master of Masons in New York, laid the corner stone of the Church of Good Tidings, recently. In his address he said:

"While we do not claim the right to equal consideration with the great work of the church, we claim in a measure to satisfy the yearnings of mankind by the encouragement of closer fraternal relations. We hope to have been a helpmate to the more important work of the clergy and the church. If we have contributed, as we believe we have, in a very material way toward the elevation of mankind, we are indeed content to continue in the good work. While you have churches in nearly every hamlet, village and city we likewise have temples and halls in all parts of the land, homes for the aged, the widow and the orphan, second to none, and our charities know no bounds. We, like you, count among our members the wise, the good and the great men who possess 'nature in the highest form' —character. While the church stands in the foreground as the most potent power for good, we thoroughly believe that the Masonic fraternity is next in line among the fraternal and charitable institutions in the world. Let us join hands and hearts to-day, tomorrow and forever, and may there never be any conflict between these forces now working for a common goal."

"Men are in urgent need of reunions with kindred spirits, where they can mix and intermingle and exchange thoughts and ideas. This is a natural phenomenon in the intellectual and moral life. Masonry supplies this want to an extent that no other human agency does or can. It affords the opportunity for the Association of men who:

"When in friendship joined
A mutual succor in each other find."

Nicollet Lodge No. 54, St. Peter, will have club rooms as an adjunct to their lodge rooms; a good idea.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

January 1st, 1906! The New Year, with its problems and responsibilities, its pleasures and its sorrows, is at hand; may your problems be better solved, your responsibilities more wisely borne, your pleasures more deeply enjoyed and your sorrows more patiently endured, than ever before.

The Observer, in this its first issue in 1906, wishes you all a most Happy New Year.

John Suggitt the retiring Master of Arcana Lodge, whose picture appears in this issue, is a Canadian by birth, a locomotive engineer and a skilled machinist, being a foreman at the Soo shops in N. E. Minneapolis.

When Arcana Lodge was organized he was one of the first to receive degrees in that Lodge, taking all his degrees in 1890.

He has filled the several offices of the Lodge and finally became Master.

Mr. Suggitt is an enthusiastic Mason and attends Lodge meetings regularly; is very highly esteemed both by his brethren and his fellow workmen. He has received some of the "higher" degrees and is a member of Anchor Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, of which he was recently installed High Priest.

Santa Claus halted for an hour or two at 323 Jackson st. where the Paladin commandery, Knights Templar were celebrating Christmas. The Paladin celebration consisted of a distribution of 175 baskets, each containing a substantial Christmas dinner. Prominent members of the commandery, H. C. Hope, C. K. Sharood, G. W. Freeman, F. I. Whitney and others were in charge of the distributing point.

Those who applied for baskets presented cards given them by the Relief society; each card was numbered, as was each basket. The baskets had been filled according to the size of the family.

A branch of holly gave each gift a festive appearance. Applicants for baskets were mostly women, and they were invariably accompanied by children.

Besides the basket, each woman was given a nickel for car fare and each child was given a red apple. Today's celebration was in accordance with a custom established by the Paladin Commandery more than 207 years ago and observed since then annually.

St. Paul News.

Montgomery 258, St. Paul.

Bro. Allen;—

I don't believe that our Secretary, Bro. H. H. Blinn, sent in the list of officers as elected and appointed at our annual communication. We had election of officers on Dec. 6th, and the following officers were elected. W. W. Sleight, W. M.; Frank R. Bunnell, S. W.; Dr. Norman W. Foster, J. W.; H. H. Blinn, Sec.; A. G. Johnson, Treas. The appointive officers were, D. I. Hammergren, S. D.; G. A. Colberg, J. D.; L. M. Nelson, S. S.; David E. Ericson, J. S.; Chas. Hill, Marshal, and Hollis Granger, Tyler. All these officers were installed on Wednesday, December 20th, by Past Master A. M. Bergstrom, assisted by Chas. Hill, Mashal.

If you can find space for this notice in your valued paper, kindly insert it, for the benefit of all concerned.

Fraternally,
D. E. Ericson.

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 25, 1905.

Illustrious Noble Attend!

In accordance with an established custom, Zuhrah Temple, N. M. S., will keep open house on New Year's Day, in the large Hall on the eight floor, Masonic Temple, from 10:30 o'clock a. m. to 1 o'clock p. m., Monday, January 1st. None but Nobles of the Mystic Shrine will be admitted; visiting Nobles will be admitted on the brown 1905 card. The same rule will be observed for this open house day as for ceremonial sessions.

Yours in the Faith,
Otto R. Fehlhaber,
Potentate.

H. M. Myers,
Recorder.

At a special communication on Tuesday evening Minnehaha lodge will confer the E. A. degree on three candidates. Brethren invited.

Brother C. A. Tilbury of this Lodge met with a quite severe accident recently, from which he is recovering, and Brother C. J. Stockdale, Past Master of the Lodge, is seriously ill at his home in Milwaukee.

THE CHRISTMAS CHIMES.

W. H. Morehouse.

Hark to the merry Christmas Chimes.
Pealing forth in melodious ryhme
Good tidings to all the earth,
And their sweet unbroken refrain,
Sounds over the valleys and plains
Proclaiming the Saviour's birth.

Hark to the stirring Christmas chimes
Sounding in notes of glory divine
Along the pathway of ages,
In sacred and solacing song,
Dispelling all darkness and wrong,
Foretold by ancient sages,

Hark to the mystic Christmas chimes,
Bringing joy and gladness sublime
From Heaven's All Gracious King,
And blessings universal appear,
Because the Prince of Pease is here,
Long may thy melodies ring.

Long as the waves of time shall flow,
The hearts of men shall ever know,
The joys of the glad Christmas tide,
And out of the dim darkness of night
Shall shine an immortal light,
From the Saviour crucified,

Hark to the swelling Christmas chimes,
Sounding on to the close of time,
While afar shines a light and then
God shall rule forever and aye,
And then shall dawn that day
Of "Peace and good will to men."

—Boston Ideas.

FRANK WANTED TO SMOKE.

The Fargo Forum tells how Frank Thompson, grand secretary of the Masonic bodies in North Dakota, was entertaining a young man who had called at the Thompson home and who was particularly desirous of making an impression.

"Do you smoke cigarettes?" asked Mr. Thompson.

"Certainly not, sir," replied the young man, with spirit. " I would consider it disgraceful to be seen with one of those vile things in my mouth. I think all cigarette smokers should be sent to the detention-house. Why did you ask?"

"I thought perhaps you might let me have one," said Mr. Thompson. "I smoke them occasionally.

Deputy Grand Master W. A. Hawkins was up from Marshall Wednesday evening and installed the newly elected officers of the Masonic lodge.

Cottonwood Current.

The Grand Lodge of Canada instituted a new Lodge, Algoma No. 469, at Sault Ste. Marie, Nov. 29.

The Masons at Warroad, Roseau Co., are erecting a hall and expect to have a Lodge soon; this will be the first in that county.

A walrus tusk gavel, appropriately engraved, was recently presented to the Masonic Lodge at Waukesha, Wis., by a returned Alaskan.

Roma Lodge, U. D., recently organized in N. Y. City will work in the Italian language.

MISCELLANEOUS.

California has 299 Lodges with a membership of 31,619.

Masons at Verndale, Minn., have purchased the Frazier block and will remodel it for Lodge uses.

The Masonic Bodies of Duluth will unite in giving a reception in their new temple on New Year's day.

Masons at Bertha and Eagle Bend contemplate petitioning for dispensations for lodges.

There has been urgent requests from the public for a view of the temple and this plan has been decided upon.

The Templars will be uniformed and officers of the other bodies will appear in regalia and jewels of office; between 3,000 and 4,000 invitations will be issued.

Through the courtesy of the trustees of the Masonic Temple at Fargo, Co. B. of the National Guard of North Dakota will be permitted to hold its weekly drills during the winter in the auditorium.

California Lodges may grant life memberships the cost being fixed at $16.66 for each $1.00 of annual dues. If annual dues are $3.00, life membership would cost $50.00.

Geneva Lodge, No. 196, Madison is located in its new home which has been appropriately furnished; this lodge is flourishing.

Marshall Chapter No. 65, R. A. M., elected officers as follows: W. A. Hawkins, H. P.; J. W. Humphrey, King; J. C. Burchard, Scribe; Wm. Neill, C. of H.; D. M. King, P. S.; C. W. Hicks, R. A. C.; E. S. Frick, Treas.; Ernest Shepard, Sec.

Nov. 14, while standing on a schaffold having their photographs taken, ninety members attending the Scottish Rite convocation at Wichita, Kan., were thrown in a heap to the ground, and many injured, none seriously.

The Scottish Rite bodies at Butte, Mont., have more than two hundred members.

Detroit, Michigan, Lodges have a 'permanent visiting membership'; petitioners are elected and pay dues.

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STATED.
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Ark Lodge No. 176 (Mpls.).
Shekinah 171 (St. P.), Isabel & S. Wab. 3 flr.
Anchor Chap. 67, 23rd and Central av. N. E.
Darius Commandery 7, Mpls.
Paladin Commandery No. 21 (St. Paul).
Loraine Chap. O. E. S. No. 16, Mas. Tem.
Mistletoe Chapter C. E. S. No. 96 (St. Paul.)

TUESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
Mizpah 191 (St. P.)
Capital City No. 217, St. Paul.
Minnesota No. 224, Mpls.
Work in F. C. degree.
Minnesota Chap. 1 (St. Paul.)
Arcana Chap. O. E. S. No. 38, 2221 Cen. N. E.
SPECIAL.
St. John's Chapter No. 9 (Mpls.).
Installation of Officers.
Minnehaha 168, 1535 E. Lake.
Work in E. A. degree.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Albert Pike 237 (Hopkins).
Constellation Chapter No. 18 (St. Paul).
Installation of Officers.
Montgomery 258 (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
Minneapolis 19, Mpls.
Installation of Officers.

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
Excelsior Lodge of Perfection No.2, Mas. Tem

FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED
St. Paul No. 3, (St. P.) Mas. Hall.
Minnehaha Chap. O. E. S. No. 37, Lake and Bloomington.
Zuhrah's Ladies, Mas. Tem., 2:30 p. m.
SPECIAL.
Ark. 176, Nic. and 31st.
Card and dancing party.

SATURDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Cataract Lodge, No. 2. (Minneapolis.)

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A NEW YEARS GREETING TO ZUHRAH.

W. B. Hixson.

On the broad fertile prairies of the Golden Northwest,
Where the fleet winds of progress, are never at rest;
Where wealth is produced; where fortunes are made;
Not ground from a neighbor, by the sharp tricks of trade.

Where plough-boy and prince, are honored for self,
And not for the dollars, of a dead father's wealth;
Where the great orb of day, shines down with a smile,
On Sons of the Desert, and Maids of the Nile.

Where men are broad-gauged, both in body and mind,
And women the fairest, of fair women kind;
Where the Nobles of Zuhrah, and the fair ones at home,
Have a pride in their Temple, with its wide spreading dome.

Where Knights clad in armor, not of steel as of old,
But of honor and manhood, which is richer than gold;
Where Ladies are women, the purest and best,
because they're of Zuhrah, the same as the rest.

Where the broad hand of Charity, extends to the poor,
And the grim spectre Want, is turned from the door;
Where Nobles and Ladies, with each other vie,
As to which will be first, to respond to a sigh.

Where the keen frosty air, at this time of year,
Makes warmer the heart, and brighter the cheer;
Where the Fez and the Crescent, as well as a smile,
Are seen on each Noble, in true Zuhrah style.

It is there I would be, if the fates were but kind;
To greet all the Nobles, I now have in mind;
But I am with you in Spirit, which is with you to stay,
As I send you my greeting, this Glad New Years Day.

Scranton, Pa., January 1st, 1906.

FRANKLIN AS A MASON.

Walter J. Allen.

The 17th of January, 1906, will be rendered notable in Philadelphia by the celebration of the bicentenary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. The people of the famous old colonial city are planning to make this anniversary a fitting tribute to the greatness of Philadelphia's most famous citizen. Devotees of science, the strong men of politics and statehood, and men renowned in the realms of literature, will gather from many countries to do honor to the name of this great student, statesman and man.

Few indeed are the people of the United States and of all civilized countries, who are not conversant with the main facts of Franklin's life and labors. His services to his fellows were so numerous, his energy and clear thought were directed into so many fields, that we find ourselves today surrounded by conditions which his genius in large measure made possible.

Even at this early date, less than a century and a quarter since Franklin's death, in this present age when every fact relating to public men is heralded among all peoples through the medium of the press, the date of Franklin's birth is in dispute, some authorities stating it as January 6th, 1706, and others as January 17th of the same year. This confusion has arisen, probably, through oversight of the fact that the Old Style Calendar was still used by many people in 1706, and that reckoning by that time his birth day was January 6th, while counting by the calendar now in use, it was January 17.

But though the beginning of his career lies thus shadowed by passing time, each moment of his mature life, in all its simplicity and grandeur, shines brilliantly; its deeds dispel the mists of gathering years, and the full significance of the work of this great man, patriot and Mason is clearer to us of today than to his contemporaries. For while they recognized the charm and power of the man, his rugged honesty and perseverance, we see most wonderfully developed and magnified, the results of his labors.

Many volumes filled with the chronicles of Benjamin Franklin the philosopher, the statesman and patriot, the diplomatist and man of letters, but very little is written, indeed very little is known of Benjamin Franklin the Mason. His labors in the fields of diplomacy, science and literature were so effective, and their results so immediate and far-reaching, that history has blazoned them forth in striking letters, that he who runs may read. But of his labors in the field of Masonry one may learn little through the press, or from existing records.

An outline of the public Masonic career of Franklin appeared in these columns a short time since, in an article entitled "Early Masonry in Pennsylvania," from the pen of Worshipful W. J. Allen of Brooklyn, N. Y., a namesake of the present writer. From the limited records of the Masonic bodies of that day and from Franklin's correspondence we learn that he became a Mason shortly after arriving at his twenty-first birthday. The exact date is unknown, though it would appear to have been early in the year 1731. St. John's Lodge of Philadelphia conferred the three degrees upon him. In 1732, when ap-

pears the first record of a Grand Lodge in the American Colonies, Franklin was chosen a Warden of the Grand Lodge.

Masonry in the Colonies had not, previously to that time, grown strong enough for the establishment of regular warranted Lodges. Meetings, it is true, of Masonic brethern had been held at irregular intervals, for years past. No one knows how early in the history of the new World these meetings commenced, but not until after the publication of Andersan's "Constitutions," and the beginning of the new era in Masonry which dawned about that time, did the American Masons undertake the organization of regular bodies. Franklin, therefore, became a Mason in time to give to this work of organization his wonderful executive ability.

The prudence and foresight which characterized Franklin doubtless lead him to a close study of the fraternity before he sought admission. His London life had given him the opportunity to examine its character, and that he had fully done so is evidenced by an article which he printed in the "Pennsylvania Gazette in 1730, published as an explanation of Freemasonry. The friendly tone of this article, some little time before he became a Mason, indicates that he was already preparing his mind to take the first three steps.

Franklin's entrance into Masonry and his energetic labors in that field are as expressive of his character as are his labors in other fields. The persistent search for truth and right which lead Franklin so deeply into scientific research, and which clothed his career as a statesman with a simpleness and a sincerity as effective in the accomplishment of his aims as it was confusing to the old-school diplomats who were his opponents, lead him also to recognize the worth of Freemasonry at a time when it was very little known and some what ridiculed in the American colonies.

From his very enterance into the fraternity, Franklin assumed a place in the regard of his fellows, earned by his strict observance of the regulations governing Masons and by his broad application of those rules in his dealings with his brothers, which corresponds with the place which his strict obeservance of the laws of society and his unceasing efforts toward the betterment of all men, gained for him among people and nations at large. It was his privilege to assist in strengthening the precarious foothold which Masonry had gained in the New World, to aid in the establishment of a connection with the Lodges of England, and to help secure for Masonry better recognition than was then accorded it among people the majority of whom were ignorant of its first principles. The admission of a man like Franklin to the fraternity meant much to Masonic prestige; it meant, as it has meant in all ages, that another of the thinking men of the time had been attracted by its tenets and was willing to devote his energies and strength to its work. The initiative, executive ability and clear thought which Franklin displayed in other affairs, were manifested here also, and were of timely assistance in the construction of the Masonic edifice in America.

At this time Franklin was evidently intensely interested in things Masonic. In 1731, about the time of his initiation into the Fraternity, he wrote: "There seems to me at present to be a great occasion for raising a United Party for Virtue, by forming the virtuous and good men of all nations into a regular body, to be governed by suitable, good and wise rules, which good and wise men may probably be more unanimous in their obedience to, than common people are to common laws. I at present think, that whoever attempts this aright, and is well qualified, cannot fail of pleasing God, and of meeting with success."

This, written as it was either shortly before Franklin's initiation or immediately thereafter, while he was in the midst of this deep contemplation of the methods and objects of Masonry which comes to all novitiates, evidences his deep sympathy and abounding enthusiasm for the purposes of the institution, from his first entranceinto the Lodge.

In 1734 Franklin became Master of his Lodge, or Grand Master, the title then used. It is worthy of note that in the few years following his initation Masonry had already absorbed the foremost men of Philadelphia, and Franklin's installation was attended by a gathering of distinguished men, whose emblems bore witness to the growing strength of masonry Again in 1749 Franklin was chosen Grand Master, both his terms being marked by great progress on the part of tht Philadelphian Lodges.

In 1760, being then in England, Franklin attended a meeting of the Grand Lodge of England, where he was received with the honors due the "Provincial Grand Master," as he was then termed. His son, William Franklin, was with him, and was also honored by the English Grand Lodge, as Grand Secretary of the Provincial Grand Lodge. Later in his life, while at the court of France representing American interests, Benjamin Franklin was often honored by the Grand Orient of France. His Masonic career was therefore, international, and he is honored and revered by Masons of America, France and England.

Who can estimate the significance of the part that Masonry played in Franklin's private life? How far were its teachings influential in directing his efforts? The young man of twenty-five, who, although never a religious enthusiast, had come to see the wholesomeness of right living, became an especially apt pupil of the Masonic idea of brotherly love, relief and truth, and his whole life thereafter was an exemplification of those teachings. Temperance, silence, order, resolution, frugality, activity, sincerity, justice, moderation, cleanliness, tranquility, chastity, humility,—thus some writer has cataloged the virtues of Franklin. Are they not the very essence of Masonic teaching?

Hope amid unpromising labor, economy of time, unceasing perseverance,—these are the lessons of Franklin's youth; patience and fortitude, guided by good sense and integrity, combining to command success, these are the lessons of Franklin's manhood; simplicity, benevolence, cheerfulness and humility, these are the lessons of Franklin's old age. The men of his day felt his worth,—the men of today wonder at his wisdom. And, although his scientific attainments are overshadowed by the discoveries of later years, although the little republic whose birth he so gladly witnessed has grown to dimensions and power undreamed of by the men of his day, although the Masonic Lodges whose humble beginnings in America he assisted have now spread their powerful influence into every corner of this country,—still Franklin the man and the Mason stands forth preeminent in his wisdom, strength and beauty, among the foremost men and Masons of all the ages.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S. will resume its thimble bees next Wednesday afternoon at the home of the Worthy Matron, Abbie Eells Reed, 17 N. Fifteenth St. An extended notice of the recent public installation is promised for next week.

EASTERN STAR NEWS.

Grand Secretary, Mary C. Taylor, installed the officers of Kedron Chapter No. 120, at Princton, Minn., recently and delivered an address.

Lorraine Social Club will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Mathews, 60, 13th. St. south, Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 9; members and their friends are cordially invited.

From every direction come reports of joint installations of Lodge and Chapter officers and social gatherings of Masons and Stars; how very different from the time, a few years since, when the Lodge room was closed to the Eastern Star; and even now many conservative Masons, especially in England, would bar the Sisters from all rooms dedicated to Freemasonry.

The Eastern Star has come to stay and is taking over the charitable work of the great institution and everywhere aiding in building Homes for the aged and helpless needy.

Worthy Grand Matron Elizabeth Thomas, assisted by Mrs. Emma Hoke as Grand Marshal and Mrs. Gertrude Boener as Grand Chaplain, installed the officers of Lorraine Chapter No. 16, O. E. S., Monday, Jan. 1, as follows: Mrs. Sarah Latz, W. M.; William Willing, W. P.; Mrs. Martha Moran, A. M.; Mrs. Cora P. McCutchins, Sec.; Mrs. Mary Tuttle, Treas.; Mrs. Hattie Whitelaw, Cond.; Mrs. Kate Willing, A. Cond.; Mrs. Kate Huntington, Chaplain; Mrs. Lizzie Canterbery, Marshal; Mrs. Helmn, Organist; Miss Ethel Canterbery, Adah; Miss Alice Latz, Ruth; Mrs. Emma Hass, Esther; Miss Florence McCutchins, Martha; Mrs. Ella Smith, Electa; Mrs Kate Mathews, Warder; Charlie Mathews, Sent. The Chapter room was beautifully decorated with cut flowers and Palms and other potted plants. A delightful program was rendered by the members and their friends. Brother Willing, in a few very impressive words, in behalf of the Chapter presented to Mrs. Kate Huntington, the retiring W. M., a beautiful solid gold jewel of the order, as a token of appreciation of her earnest work of the past year. The Chapter room was well filled with members and friends of the order and it was a very delightful affair. Mary Tuttle, Cor.

Mrs. Abbie E. Reed, in presenting a jewel to retiring Worthy Matron Marsh, said: "Sister Marsh, Past Worthy Matron of Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, Order of the Eastern Star:

Your duties and work as Worthy Matron, have now come to a close, and the honorable, impartial and faithful manner in which such duties have been performed by you, speak for themselves in the highest terms possible, as we all know how hard you have labored, and sometimes under such trying circumstances, to build up and advance the best interests of our Chapter.

You have always been faithful while holding your office, in visiting the sick, lending a helping hand to all sisters and brothers in trouble, and carrying out the principles upon which our Order is founded.

You have advanced the financial interests of our Chapter, in getting up thimble-bees, charity card parties and other social features in a manner that reflects great credit to yourself, and in many other ways you have been untiring in your work and efforts, and all your officers have been fully aware of the arduous duties that you have been called on to perform, and know well how faithful such have been carried out, and we have endeavored to the best of our ability, to aid you in your work, always working in harmony with you, and loving, honoring and respecting you.

And now, as a remembrance and token of the appreciation of our Chapter, on account of the manner in which you have performed your duties as Worthy Matron, I have the honor and pleasure to present to you on behalf of Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, Order of Eastern Star, this Past Matron's Jewel, and may it ever remind you as life passes, of the love and respect in which you are held by your sisters and brothers. Your Star Officers, instead of giving you a separate present, as has heretofore been the custom, have chosen rather, to place a jewel in each point of this star, a Sapphire, Topaz, Diamond, Emerald and Ruby, the jewels thus placed, being emblematic of our Order; the Sapphire representing the blue ray of Ada, the Topaz the yellow ray of Ruth, the Diamond the white ray of Esther, the Emerald the green ray of Martha, and the ruby the red ray of Electra, and may these five jewels so placed, bring to your mind the principles for which they stand, Fidelity, Constancy, Purity, Immortality and Fervency; and as I now hand you this token of remembrance, I give you with it, our love and best wishes, and may it give you as much pleasure in the weariug as it has given us in presenting it, and may you always remember that love and friendship, pure and true, are golden links that bind your friends to you."

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"The soul attuned to silence and music knows nothing of fear. The action of such an one, must needs be true.

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A Daylight Lodge has been instituted at San Francisco.

The Thirty-third degree will be conferred on several candidates at Fargo, N. D. January 10.

The Masonic Lodge at Grand Forks, N. D. sustained a loss of $1,000, by fire, Christmas morning.

The several Masonic Lodges at Honolulu held a joint installation and banquet on St. John's day.

The Masons at Buffalo, Minn. treated themselves to a Christmas present of new Lodge room furniture.

The Templars of Spokane served a breakfast to their members and guests after the services Christmas morning.

Judge Henry L. Palmer, the oldest living charter member of the Grand Commandery of Wisconsin, was honored by a toast drunk to him by his Fraters Christmas morning.

It is frequently the case that we as Masons are satisfied if we have done good work in the Lodge, have increased our numbers and our revenues and have had a good time. Masonry means more than these things and we must waken to the fact that we have a work to do and that unless we do it the world can get along without us. Let each learn for himself what that work is and then be up and doing.

The question of a Masonic Home will probably come before the Grand Lodge at its annual communication next week and we have no doubt but formal action of some kind will be taken; many of the Lodges have had the matter before them and their representatives will be guided by resolution or other action taken by the bodies they represent; much can be said for and against the proposition but the fact remains that the aged and poor must be taken care of; the manner is for the wisdom of Grand Lodge to decide.

The OBSERVER acknowledges the receipt from Henry W. Rugg, chairman of the committee on publication, of the memorial volume of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, containing the record of one hundred years, 1805-1905. In this work the committee has produced a work of great value to Knight Templarism. We are also in receipt of a large number of the Proceedings of the grand bodies which will be reviewed from time to time in this paper and then presented to the Masonic Library Association.

Oceanic Lodge No. 371 under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of California, was instituted at Honolulu, Nov. 3. The gathering was historical in that Oceanic is made up of members of Lodge Le Progres de l'Oceanie No. 124, A. & A. S. R., Supreme Council of France, which for more than half a century has held a unique position in Masonry of Hawaii and the United States. Le Progres is the oldest lodge west of the Rocky mountains and numbered among its members and officers monarchs of the Hawaiian kingdom. In the course of the next few months the charter of the lodge will be surrendered and all its members will be included in the membership of Oceanic. The transfer to an American jurisdiction is entirely friendly and is one of the natural results of annexation.

One of the features of the Shrine ceremonial at Honolulu last month was a street parade, thus described:

After a deal of noise in the third story of the Progress block, a crowd of strangely-dressed men filed out into Beretania street and formed behind the Hawaiian Government Band. These were the officers of Aloha Temple, Mystic Shrine. They wore the strange garb of Arabs. Some of the clothes were rich in material and truly Oriental in design and cut. The Imperial Potentate, Dr. Grossman, looked superb in his silks, satins and jewels. Behind these officers came the Arab Patrol, a big lot of men attired in Turkish uniforms and carrying lances. Then came the claw-hammered and tuxedoed fez wearers, and behind them came the unfortunate victims, who aspired to wear the fez. They carried a huge Manila rope and were guarded fore and aft by Fezzers carrying huge scimetars.

RESPONSE TO GRAND MASTER'S SENTIMENT.

By Sir Knight R. L. McCormick, P. G. C., Minnesota, 1881.

The manager at Bethlehem points unerringly to Calvary, to the tomb and to the ascension. Thought follows the page through youth to manhood. It sees him on the Mound of Beatitudes uttering the grandest sermon ever preached. It follows him in his journeys, raising the dead and giving sight to the blind. It sees him before Pilate and recalls the scourging, the crown of thorns, the driven nails and the thrust of the spear. It recognizes a new religion, a new and a higher civilization, a brighter, a better and a happier world. It hears the angel at the tomb say "He is not here! He is risen!" And the query of ages, "If a man die shall he live again?" is answered and the hope of immortality becomes a sublime faith.

The herald song of the angels of Judea has come down through the centuries, repeated by the happy voices of childhood and age, bringing joy and gladness with its every vibration. I would not for one moment minimize the full significence of the song of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." I would reverently recognize the charm of the simple story of the manger-cradled Christ and the magii of the East bearing their gifts to Bethlehem. I would humbly accept the pure life, the sublime teachings and the vicarious suffering on Calvary as the guerdon to our assurance of everlasting bliss; but in the short time at my disposal I wish to add another thought for the consideration of my fellow Templars here assembled; not as children, not as beneficiaries, but as men, as leaders of men, that what has been opened to you by the sacrifice on Calvary should be an inspiration to you to rise above the thought that grovels, to consider the duties you owe to hu-

manity, to contemplate the opportunities that life offers to do for others.

"Think not to win a heaven of rest
and glory,
If thou shalt reach its gates without
thy palm."

Awake to your responsibilities and be a factor in overthrowing tyranny and ignorance and want,and aid in the substituting for them truth and justice and liberty. Learn that it is more blessed to give than to receive, and discover the cheering fact that in the mystery of human effort as well as Divine Providence.

"What the fountain sends forth
Returns again to the fountain."

Have you grasped my idea that it is not alone the sweet story of Bethlehem's babe that we celebrate by this Christmas observance? Is it not more the after-life in its expressions of sympathy and help for the poor, the afflicted, the despised? Is it not the example of mature forbearance and charity, the words of wisdom and strength and promise? Is it not the herioc consummation of the sterner phase of sacrifice in giving life that others may find rest? Calvary's hill redeemed the world; the crown of thorns is glorified; and the ignominious cross is the symbol of the world's faith and hope.

In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in his bosom
That transfigures you and me:
As He died to make men holy,
Let us die to make men free.
—The Trestle Board, San Francisco.

St. Paul Council No. 1, Royal and Select Masters, elected and installed officers Dec. 11, as follows: Fred H. Young, T. I. M.; Benj. J. Shipman, D. M.; John Mailer, P. C. W.; Fred. O. Hammer, Treas.; Robt. B. Ware, Recorder; Herbert B. Porter, C. of G.; Geo. Markert, C. of C.; Alfred L. Adams, Steward; Chas. J. Kruger, Sent. The Council reported a very successful year, having greeted thirty-four companions. A special assembly will be held Monday night, Jan. 15, when all the degrees will be conferred on a large number of candidates; the Minnesota Masonic Quartette of Minneapolis will render the musical program. All Companions in the Twin Cities are cordially invited.

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The Fifty-third annual communication of the GRAND LODGE of Minnesota will open Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Ark Lodge, No. 176, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree on two candidates, Thursday night, Jan. 11.

Adoniram Council No. 5, R. A. M. will confer degrees and serve lunch at its stated assembly Monday, Jan. 8.

Harry Murphy, a member of No. 19, St. Johns, Zion and Zuhrah, and well-known in insurance circles is seriously ill.

Khurum Lodge No. 112 conferred the E. A. degree last Friday night and expects to confer degrees Friday night, 19th.

Henry Slade Goff, whose character verses appear in this issue, is one of the authors, his wife being the other, of The United States and her Neighbors, and several other valuable works.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will confer the E. A. degree at a special, tomorrow night, 9th; the F. C. degree was conferred last Tuesday night, after which a lunch and social time was enjoyed.

Zuhrah Temple held open house from 10:30 to 1 on New Years day. The attendance was large and many new acuaintanceqs made and old friendships renewed. Zuhrah's gatherings are always delightful.

Several candidates were initiated into Masonry at a special communication of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 on Tuesday evening, on which occasion the new officers performed their duties like veterans in the service.

W. B. Hixson, author of A New Years Greeting to Zuhrah, formerly resided in Minneapolis and is a Past Master of No. 19 and Past Potentate of Zuhrah Temple; it is his custom to send an annual greeting when absent.

W. F. Edgerton a member of Ark Lodge No. 176, died at his home, 3117 Hennepin Ave., Tuesday, Jan. 2. Funeral services were held at the residence, Thursday, Jan. 4, by Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, of which deceased was a member.

Carmel Lodge of Perfection No. 1, St. Paul Chapter, Rose Croix No. 1, the Molai Council, Knights Kadosh, No. 1, and Minnesota Consistory, No. 1, of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Orient of St. Paul, will hold their Annual Reunion Jan. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.

Plymouth Chapter No. 19, O. E. S. will hold a public installation of officers, in Masonic Hall, 304, 20th. Ave. N., Friday, Jan. 12, 8 p. m. Installation will be conducted by Elizabeth Thomas, W. G. M., assisted by Alice M. Weiss, W. M. as Marshal.

The Masonic Veteran Association will hold its Fourteenth Annual Reunion at Masonic Temple, St. Paul, Tuesday night, Jan. 16, and an adjourned meeting Wednesday night, Jan. 17, for the reports of officers, election, reception of new members and Annual Feast.

The election for officers of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine, resulted as follows: John S. Dodge, Ill. Potentate; C. E. Ovenshire, Chief Rabban; Jas. S. Ells, Asst. Rabban; E. J. Forster, H. P. and Prophet; Conway McMillan, Oriental Guide; John A. Schlener, Treasurer; H. M. Myers, Recorder.

Minneapolis Consistory No. 2 elected the following officers: William Hartley, Master of Kadosh, A. A. Crane, Prior, A. F. Pray, Preceptor, C. E. Ovenshire, Chancellor, H. D. Dickinson, Minister of State, Geo. H. Simpson, Hospitaller, David W. Knowlton, Registrar, John Leslie, Treasurer, C. R. Cooley, A. E. Higbee and David W. Knowlton, Trustees.

Ralph D. Webb, P. H. P. and Treasurer of the Grand Chapter, R. A. M., installed the following officers of St. Johns Chapter, last Thusday night: William Tweedie, H. P.; T. D. Bell, King; W. C. Allen, Scribe; W. M. Walker, Treasurer,; H. M. Myers, Secretary; F. B. Crocker, C. of H.; B. A. Sandy, P. S.; A. E. Clarendon, R. A. C.; R. R. Langrell, M. 3d. V.; J. H. Wheeler, M. 2d. V.; H. M. Edgerton, M. 1st. V.; E. J. Hodges, Sentinel.

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Lei Aloha Chapter, O E. S. was organized Dec. 11, at Honolulu, with impressive ceremonies. There were fifty-three charter members and seven candidates were initiated.

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DE SUN HIT (IT) CLIM'ERIN' NORF AGAIN.

By Henry Slade Goff.

De days bin growin' shorter,
En de nights bin growin' long,
En hit seems ez tho in de col' en snow
De erf done goin' wrong.
But de Lawd he hol' it in his han',
En he governin' de sun,
En de spring time rain done comin' again,
En de rivers gwine ter run.

Hit mebbe de fros' still rampage,
En hit creepin' in at de do',
En de col' git strong ez de days grow long,
En de wintah win' still blow.
But de spring air creepin' up frum de Souf
Fer ter wa'm up de Northe'n lan';
Fer de sun hit hear at de en' ob de year
De voice ob a high comman'.

Fer de Lawd he know in de fros' en de snow
His chil'en gittin' col';
En he set de boun' en de sun turn roun',
Ez hit radierate en roll.
En de sun hit clim'erin' Norf again,
En er bringin' de spring time song;
En de col' en de snow done got ter go
Er scam'erin' erlong.

Hit mebbe de col' still bitin',
But hit gwine ter en' by'n by;
Fer de sun hit burn ez hit roll en turn,
En is clim'erin' up de sky.
En de lily en rose, ez de col' win goes,
Dey foller de wintah's sto'm;
En de grasses en grains done foller de rains,
En de erf hit gittin' wa'm.

En hit mighty kin' o' cheerin,'
Ez de col' come shiverin' nigh,
Dat de sun turn back on de ol' time track,
En is clim'erin' up de sky.

En hit mighty kin' o' cheerin',
Ez de wintah gettin' strong,
Dat de ice en de snow done got ter go
Er scam'erin' erlong.

What Ancient, Free and Accepted Masonry Means to Me.

J. Frank Locke.

Thirty years have passed away since I first entered a Masonic Lodge as an Entered Apprentice. I became a Mason largely because of the strongly expressed desire of my mother that I should do so. I wish every mother had that same desire for her boy.

With each passing year of the thirty I have become more and more, in my heart of hearts, a Mason. More and more as I have climbed the heights and sounded the depths of Masonry, have I yielded myself to its delightful charm, sublime teachings, noble conceptions of duty and righteous principles.

To-night as I attempt to tell you briefly what Masonry means to me, I realize the limitations of human speech and expressions; the illusiveness of soul thought we should gladly embody in words. Ancient, Free and Accepted Masonry **does not** mean to me in any wise, what is commonly called Religion. It is not a Deity to be worshipped, not a Redeemer to be exalted. Those, if any there be, who so regard it, are misguided and deceived.

But Masonry does mean to me, and to every brother who has seen the clear shining of the inner lights, high and righteous morality; that morality upon which all spiritual attainments must find their immutable foundation. Thus viewed and thus used, Masonry becomes an immortal inspiration.—"A thing of beauty and a joy forever."

Again Masonry does not mean to me personal distinction or superiority. Masonry neither teaches, nor tolerates caste or class, but it does teach **oneness**—the brotherhood of the whole human race. Some so-called fraternal associations limit their membership to a class, a race; but Masonry, with a truer heart and a clearer vision, seeks only **manhood**, and when found makes it welcome, no matter what the color of the skin may be, no matter whether it comes from the hovel or palace, clad in blue jeans or broadcloth. If there be true democracy on earth, its real name is "Ancient, Free and Accpted Masonry."

Masonry does mean to me Unsullied Manliness, Cleanliness in all things, a persistent seeking for the best and contentment with nothing but the best, morally, intellectually, politically. "Come up higher," has been the clear, silver-toned bugle call of Masonry from the days of Hiram, King of Tyre and Solomon, King of Israel, until now.

Masonry does mean to me a chivalrous regard for and protection of woman. This calls for gentlemen, and true Masonry owns no other kind of man. There may be Lodge members who are not gentlemen, but if so they were made members in the Lodge room merely, and not in their hearts. To the true Mason, womanly purity, virtue and honor is not only a priceless jewel to cherish and defend, but to die for if necessary.

To me, true Masonry means the Sanctity of the Home. A place that next to heaven realizes humanity's highest aspirations and dearest joys. The Mason who is a husband and a father, and who does not find in his own home the spot of spots for the exercise of the faith, hope and charity of Masonry, is a Mason disgraced and dishonored. The Mason who carries the foul odor of rum, the contamination of sin into his home, is a Mason to be shunned forever.

To me Ancient, Free and Accepted Masonry means the providing of things honest in the sight of God and of all men. A dishonest Mason? A Mason whose word is not good? A drunkard Mason? A thieving Mason? A Mason who is not true to family ties? Why, the world has never seen

such a Mason. There have been, I am sorry to say, a few so-called Lodge members of this character—or want of character, but they never entered the true Masonic door, over which shines the All-Seeing Eye.

Farther, Masonry means to me ceaseless activity in the use of our best faculties. Masonry gives much and demands more. A lazy Mason, a Mason who cowardly shirks responsibility and work, is an unthinkable proposition, because a worthless one. The true disciple of our noble fraternity ever realizes that "unto whomsoever much is given, of him will there be much required," and he never withholds more than is meet.

Again, and in conclusion, Masonry means to me Personal Purity. I do not mean by this monkish seclusion from the world. I mean the manhood that has a high ideal and is true to it. I mean the manhood that dares, suffers, fights and triumphs. I mean the manliness built on the Christ principle of going about doing good.

And this kind of Masonry, having its birth in the far distant past, and its beneficent influence upon all past centuries, is yet in its immortal youth, —destined to become the mighty river upon whose generous bosom the world's commerce of honor and righteousness will find its highway of traffic.

SCOTTISH FREEMASONRY.

The Scottish Rite of Freemasonry especially seeks to promote civil and religious liberty, teaching the natural, fundamental rights of man, and the proper relations which should exist between individuals. By the most complete system of philosophy, it impresses upon its votaries the power, goodness and wisdom of the All Father, the source of all that is; teaching the relations embraced in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. Adopting and illustrating the symbols of the Ancient Mysteries, it teaches the most profound philosophies of ancient thought, and thus develops the idea that the most early discoveries were, and continue to be, along the line of spiritual and mental development, which continues to the present; and the Masonic student is often met with the discovery that many of the most worthy developments of our age are the direct results of thoughts impressed upon the human mind ages before records, other than hieroglyphic symbols, were adopted.

Masonry of all degrees to a greater or less extent impresses the most profound veneration for the Grand Architect of the Universe, coupled with the most perfect relations possible between individuals of the human race; the Scottish Rite particularly emphasizing the Almighty power of purity, integrity and truth, and seeks to penetrate the veil between the human intellect, as at present developed, and the perfect light of Truth. Hence we labor, first, for the betterment of man in his present condition, but secondly that future generations may more easily "find out the right;" therefore he who comes within our gates is expected to lay aside his prejudices and pride of opinion and with an earnest desire not only to improve himself, but to benefit others.

Masonry is not, and never has been, a reformatory institution. Men of mature minds, of perfected character, prepared to make sacrifices for the good of others, are the ones we seek. The good man and true is heartily welcomed, and as in union there is great strength and greater effectiveness, Master Masons in good standing are cordially invited to seek further light and gain added strength, by uniting their efforts with ours, in developing the great purposes of the fraternity.

Brethren of the Rite: Conscious of the successess of the past, and animated with high hopes for the future, every one of us should use his best efforts to promote the interests of our reunions, remembering

There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave,
There are souls that are pure and true;
Then give to the world the best you have,
And the best will flow back to you.

—Secretary's Bulletin, Aberdeen, S. D.

The Palestine Bulletin says that the changed conditions of modern times calls for two reforms: one to allow summonses for N. P. D. to be served by mail; the other execution of diplomas by Grand Secretary free of charge. In Minnesota summonses for any purpose may be served by mail; ten days notice upon member residing within jurisdiction of the body, twenty days if residing out of the jurisdiction but within the state, and thirty days if residing, or temporarily without the state.

We agree with the Bulletin that no charge should be made for the execution of a diploma or certificate as such is becoming an essential qualification for visiting in many jurisdictions.

Beulah is the name of a new Chapter, R. A. M. at Milaca.

EASTERN STAR NEWS.

Palestine Chapter, 112, O. E. S. held a public installation of officers on Monday, Jan. 8th., in Commandery Hall Masonic Temple. Worthy Grand Martron Mrs. Lizzie Thomas was the installing officer, assisted by Past Grand Patron Wilford C .Wilson and Grand Marshal Mary E. Walker.

The ceremony was most beautiful and impressive. The large hall was royally decorated with Palms and beautiful cut flowers.

After the installation a fine program of music and recitations was rendered by the Dorsth family orchestra, the Masonic Quartette, and Mrs. Josephine Bonaparte Rice, Past Matron Minnette Foote was presented with a jeweled Past Matron's pin.

Brother Horace Myers, who has so faithfully served the chapter for years, was presented with a sum of money, and after thanking the chapter for their thoughtfulness turned to the Worthy Matron, and with true Knightly charity and courtesy donated the money to the chapter to be used for charity.

The following officers were installed:

Anna Morrison, Worthy Matron,
Lucius Foote, Worthy Patron;
Dolly Taylor, Assoc. Matron;
Mary C. Taylor, Secretary;
Adelaide Price, Treasurer;
Ida B. Rohr, Conductress;
Mattie Ungerer, A. Cond.;
Nettie Merriam, Chaplain;
Samuel Gonlstone, Marshal;
May Jones, Organist;
Ella Monahan, Adah;
Bessie Shannon, Ruth;
Mary Bonean, Esther;
Phi Hartford, Martha;
Clara Haas, Eelcta;
Mary Foster, Warder;
Martha Emery, Sentinel.

The Worthy Matron has also appointed Mrs. Lucy M. Ray Fraternal Correspondent, and Mrs. Wheeler chairman of the afternoon card parties. —Mrs. Lucy M. Ray, Fraternal Correspon.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas, Worthy Gr. Mat. assisted by Mrs. Mary C. Taylor, Gr. Secretary, installed the officers of Constellation Chapter No. 18, Wednesday, Jan. 3. Preceding the installation ceremonies a delightful program was rendered; the numbers contributed were a song by a quartette composed of Mrs. Yale, Mrs. Newson, Prof. Colville, and Mr. George; violin solo by W. W. Nelson; song by Owen Morris; violin solo by Master Cyrus

Borgstrom; the Holy City, sung by Mrs. Newson accompanied by stereoptican views given by Mr. John Mailer; piano accompanists were Mrs. Colville, Mrs. Rees, and Mr. Lenehan. The retiring Matron, Mrs. Bailey, was presented with a past Matron's jewel by Andrew Swanstrom in behalf of the Chapter, and essential to the occasion was the presentation of a handsome boquet of roses to the Worthy Grand Matron who conducted the services in a beautiful manner. A touching incident was the playing by the organist of "Home, Sweet Home" as the secretary was being conducted to her place after having been installed into her twenty-second term of office. The officers are: Mrs. Sadie Sayre. W. M.; A. P. Swanstrom, W. P.; Mrs. Jennie Campbell, A. M.; Mrs. Martha Gordon, Sec.; Mrs. Sarah Evans, Treas.; Mrs. Alberta Plondke, Cond.; Mrs. Flossie Patrick, A. Cond.; Mrs. Pearl Ericson, Adah; Mrs. Katherin Ruff, Ruth; Miss Jennie Scott, Esther; Mrs. Nellie McCall, Martha; Mrs. Grace Briggs, Electa; Mrs. Julia Van-Allen, Warder; C. J. Kruger, Sentinel; Mrs. Isabel Mackie, Chaplain; Mrs. McCleary, Marshal; Miss Jessie Williams, organist.—Cor.

The public installation of officers of Minneapolis Chapter, No. 9, O. E. S., held on Thursday evening, Jan. 8, was well attended by many friends who were privileged to enjoy an excellent program and witness an installation almost faultless in its rendition. The program included numbers by the Minnesota Masonic Quartette who responded generously to the frequent encores. Sister Zella Zee Dodge recited most pleasingly and was obliged to respond to encores. Miss Anna Britt's vocal numbers were particularly sweet.

"Our Order" was the topic to which Sister Louise Lyon Johnson responded; the masterful manner in which she handled her subject and the eloquence of her remarks showed how thoroughly well versed she had become in the history of the inception, growth and purpose of our beloved order. Such a history could only emanate from memory's well filled storehouse of facts well worth knowing and remembering.

The retiring Worthy Matron sister Pearl B. March showed her gratitude in receiving her past matron's jewel, so beautifully studded with the rarest of gems, by responding most gracefully to the eloquent presentation speech of sister Abbie Eells Reed, the newly installed Worthy Matron. Mrs. Marsh said she would wear the beautiful jewel with pleasure to herself and honor to her chapter.

A veritable rose shower fell upon sisters Reed, Marsh, Flynn, and Flint, who were presented with handsome clusters.

The floral poem was recited by sister Louise Lyon Johnson, the newly installed associate matron, who presented, as she recited, sweet violets to Adah, yellow chrysanthemuns to Ruth, Calla lily to Queen Esther, featherly ferns to Martha, and rich red roses to Electa.

The series of thimble bees has been resumed for the season the first one having been largely attended at sister Reed's, Wed. afternoon last. The next one will be held at the home of Mrs. Sarah Archibald, 2701 Stevens Ave. Wed. afternoon, Jan. 24.

The first of a series of card parties will be held at the home of the worthy matron, sister Reed, 17 North 15 St., Wed. evening, Jan. 17.—Correspondent.

The first of the series of afternoon card parties for Palestine Chapter will be held in Commandery Hall on Saturday, Jan. 13th at 2:30 o'clock, and every two weeks from that date until further notice the card parties will be given. All Eastern Star members and their friends are cordially invited.

Grand Worthy Matron Yerkes of Wisconsin, was injured in a runaway accident at Portage, recently.

It is a curious fact, but never the less true that the average man pays but little attention to the quality of his fire insurance, either as to the financial standing of the company in which he may insure, or as to its methods in loss adjustments. The insurers of large properties are becoming careful in respect to the character of the agent and companies and are fast treating the matter of fire insurance protection as of so much importance that expert agents are selected to prepare their contracts and select the companies.

They are becoming as careful in this respect, as in their selection of a lawyer to whom they refer their legal matters.

To the average man his fire insurance often stands between him and utter ruin, when his property is destroyed by fire, and yet so heedless is he of this most important fact that he places his insurance with an agent without proper discrimination; one who has no professional standing but is simply known by the property owner as being a "good fellow". Many thousands of dollars is lost every year through the failure of irresponsible companies and yet the lesson is not heeded by but few men. If one tenth the care were given by property owners in attention to the proper placing of their fire insurance that is given to ordinary business matters, a great deal of anxiety and occasional ruin would be avoided, when their property goes up in smoke. By placing insurance with Otto E. Greeley, 208 The Phoenix, the insured gets reliable insurance and prompt and equitable adjustment in case of loss.

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FREEMASONRY IN IRELAND.

For the second time in one hundred years says the Masonic Sun, the National Cathedral of St. Patrick, Dublin, was the scene, December 10, of a special service in aid of the charities administered under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ireland. Widespread interest was taken in the service, not only on account of the general popularity and high esteem in which the Masonic charities are held, but also by reason of the fact that the Bishop of Ossory, a learned and eloquent preacher and a distinguished Mason, had consented to deliver a special address suited to the occasion.

At three o'clock the Masonic procession, which had meanwhile been forming in the Lady Chapel, entered the Cathedral by the north side, passed down to the western end, and then returned by the central aisle to the appointed places in the nave. The Knights Templar, in their full costume, headed the procession, and drew up in two files along the central aisle, forming an arch of steel with their swords, under which the procession passed.

The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Ossory, who selected as his text—"And He made of one every nation of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth" (Acts xvii., 26, R. V.). Having dealt with the text from a doctrinal point of view, he said that the Masonic institution was the living embodiment of their faith in two of the axioms which St. Paul enunciated on that occasion—that God, who made the world, is the Lord of Heaven and earth, and needeth not to be worshipped in temples made with hands; that all mankind have been made by Him of one blood wherever their lot is cast. On these two great principles had been founded the whole edifice of Masonry—they were the Jachin and the Boas of their Masonic temple—the unity of God, and the solidarity of mankind. Continuing, he said—We Masons have learned from "The Volume of the Sacred Law" (as we call the Bible) that God is the Great Creator, Maker, and Preserver of all things. We have learned, too, that what all men have got in common—namely their God-given humanity, is greater far than all the accidental circumstances of man's environment, including the external marks of rank and fortune. And whoever confesses this faith we welcome him as a Brother to share with us the hidden mysteries of Nature and Science. And here let me pause to notice how awful and how uncharitable, as well as utterly false, is the accusation that the Masonic Body is an irreligious institution. I hope our presence here today in such large numbers at the cordial and courteous invitation of the Dean of this Cathedral is sufficient evidence that the charge is false. But, indeed, the public acts of our Masonic institution bear abundant testimony to the fact that as our institution prohibits absolutely all political combination under the pretence of her authority, so our Masonic Body has purged herself from all connection with any so-called Body of Freemasons who have cast off belief in an Almighty God, and there never has been a time since the revival of Freemasonry when a belief in God as a superintending Presence and Power did not form a chief part of the system. We are proud to be a great social and moral institution, but let our presence here today accentuate also the other fact that we are a great religious institution as well. Thank God for the holy, self-sacrificing and consistent life of many a brother Mason who has proved by word and work the value of the teaching he has gained in the Masonic temple—such lives are their own best witness to the realty of the faith that is within.

Shakopee, Minn,. Stars gave a guessing contest, recently.

THE MASONIC LIBRARY.

The Masonic Library Association of Minneapolis was incorporated March 21, 1891, since which time it has been kept alive and made useful to the reading Masons of the City and visitors by the energies of the little band of faithful ones who originated it, some of whom are still active in all that pertains to its welfare, and those who have followed.

The following Bodies have contributed liberally whenever called upon, of their funds in support of the good work: Hennepin Lodge No. 4, Minneapolis No. 19, Khurum No. 112, Minnesota No. 224, St. Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., Zion Commandery No. 2, K. T., Lodge of Perfection, Chapter Rose Croix, Council Kadosh and Consistory of the Scottish Rite Bodies, and Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine.

The association is governed by a board of directors consisting of representatives selected by the above bodies. At the annual meeting, held Jan. 2, the following officers were elected: E. J. Forster, President; W. C. Allen, Secretary and Librarian; John A. Schlener, Treasurer.

Through the generosity of the Trustees of the Masonic Temple, the Library has the use of a commodious room on the second floor, without rental. The association has gathered, from purchase and donations, a large number of valuable books which plans outlined for the future will largely increase. The association is in need of larger quarters and hopes to obtain more suitable rooms in the near future.

Secretaries of Grand Bodies have been generous in contributing annual proceedings and the association is especially grateful to all who have contributed. Many individuals have contributed Masonic and other books; to all such a written acknowledgement is made and a record made thereof. The association especially desires that all persons having books on Masonic or kindred subjects, curios, medals, aprons, pictures, pamphlets, who would like to have them preserved or placed where they will accomplish good now or hereafter, will present them to the association, and also wants a copy of every program issued by any Masonic body. The Library is open daily except Sundays and all Masons are welcome to make use of it. The association is in need of funds to carry on the work and solicits annual memberships from individuals; the cost af membership tickets is $1.00; it is not necessary to be a contributing member in order to have the bene-

fits of the Library; the use of the books within the Library room is free to all Masons. Come and see what we are doing and aid us.

THE BUSY LIFE, THE HAPPY ONE.

It has been written: "Tis not to live, to live for self alone." Ever carry with you the earnest desire to cheer and comfort those less fortunate than yourself. Earnestly seek someone who needs sunshine, and endeavor to give the necessary cheer, and your own burden, be it ever so heavy, will at once become lighter and your own sorrow easier to bear.

One who lives for others has no time for gloom. The birds of the air, the flowers of the field, give forth cheer—the little stars in the heavens twinkle forth their bit of cheerfulness; should we not learn from them the lesson of contentment and happiness? Should we not be ashamed to go through life frowning? We, who of all living creatures have been blessed with the gift of smiles and laughter?

Take the sun from the heavens, and the sunshine from the earth—how long would there be life of any kind? Take the sunshine from our hearts and cheerfulness from our countenances—what a dreary world would remain.

Stagnant water becomes impure; an idle life is sure to be an unhappy one. We find the pure water in the busy, sparkling little stream and the cheerful, happy heart in the busy, unselfish life.

Cultivate the "Don't worry" habit. It will not only bring peace and happiness to yourself, but is one of the sure ways of making those about you happy. Cheerfulness is contagious. Fill your own heart and fill life so full of sunshine that it must brighten the lives of those with whom you come in contact. Give the kind smile and the word of encouragement today—to-morrow may be too late.

Think good thoughts; for has it not been truly written: "As a man thinketh, so is he?"

Edna Fuller Kirk.

The Eastern Star Chapter at Aberdeen, S. D. will serve meals at noon and six o'clock for the Scottish Rite Masons during their four days sessions this week.

Geneva Chapter No. 76, Madison, recently put on the play. "Charley's Aunt," which netted them the nice sum of $90.00.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

The officers of Zuhrah Temple were installed last Friday.

Hennepin No. 4, conferred the E. A. degree last Wednesday.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, conferred the E. A. degree last Tuesday.

Khurum No. 112, conferred the Fellow Craft degree last Friday night.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, conferred the Fellow Craft degree last Wednesday.

Zion Commandery will confer the Order of Red Cross Monday night, 15th.

The Scottish Rite Bodies of Aberdeen, S. D., will hold a reunion this week, 15th to 19th, inclusive.

The Fifty-third annual communication of the GRAND LODGE of Minnesota will open Wednesday, Jan. 17.

St. Paul Council No. 1, R. & S. M., will hold a special Assembly tonight, 15th, to confer degrees. All companions of the Rite are invited.

Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, St. Paul, will exemplify the work of the Master Mason degree before Grand Lodge, Wednesday night, 17th.

W. C. Allen left last Friday for Spokane, Wash.; during his absence Bro. H. S. Goff, secretary of Minnehaha Lodge will have charge of the Observer.

The article, What Masonry means to me, appearing in this issue, was written by Dr. J. Frank Locke of Long Prairie, Minn., and delivered at a recent meeting of his Lodge.

In the roster of officers for 1906, of Oriental Lodge No. 74, Spokane, Wash., we find in the list of affiliated Past Masters, the name of Chas. D. Raymer, late of Minnesota No. 224.

Zion Commandery No. 2, K. T., is preparing for a busy season; at the conclave last Tuesday twenty-nine were elected to receive honors of Knighthood, and two were elected to membership.

Imperial Potentate, Henry A. Collins, of Toronto, Canada, accompanied by W. G. Bell, Potentate of Khartum Temple, Winnipeg, Man., will be guests of Aad Temple at Duluth sometime during February and will doubtless visit Zuhrah at Minneapolis at same time.

The Masonic Veteran Association will hold its Fourteenth Annual Reunion at Masonic Temple, St. Paul, Tuesday night, Jan. 16, and an adjourned meeting Wednesday night, Jan. 17, for the reports of officers, election, reception of new members and Annual Feast.

W. G. M. Elizabeth Thomas and G. Sec., Mary C. Taylor visited Redwood Falls last week.

A special communication of Braden Lodge No. 168, A. F. & A. M., will be held at Masonic Hall Saturday evening, Jan. 20, at 7.30 o'clock sharp. Work in the Fellow Craft Deg. Stated Jan. 18th. Special 25th. Work M. M. Deg. Exemplification of the M. M. Deg. before the Grand Lodge by Ancient Landmark No. 5 Wednesday evening, 17th.

Bro. Hollis Granger, Tyler of Montgomery Lodge No. 258, St. Paul, was the recipient of an elegant Morris Chair, presented to him, Jan. 3, by Dr. N. W. Foster on behalf of the brethren, who assembled at his residence after the close of the Lodge. Bro. Granger was taken by surprise but made a feeling response, after which refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed.

The Tyler of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, Brother W. A. Stevens, a veteran of the Civil War, is seriously ill with pleurisy, followed by inflammatory rheumatism. The latest report is that the danger point has been passed. And in speaking of Brother Stevens as a veteran of the Civil War, it may be remarked that the tyler, the secretary and the treasurer of Minnehaha Lodge are all old soldiers of the Government in the war for the Union, one third of the line officers of the Lodge. The Lodge is a little proud of this circumstance, and proud also that the other officers are youngerly men, giving promise of efficiency and great usefulness in the Masonic field of endeavor.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bishop F. W. Keator was a member of the Scottish Rite class at Tacoma, Wash., recently.

The Masons of Lansford, N. D. have issued a call for a meeting to organize a Lodge.

Aberdeen Lodge No. 38, Aberdeen, S. D., will celebrate the Franklin anniversary, Jan. 17 .

The Chapter, O. E. S. at Rapid City, S. D., resently purchased a piano for their Chapter room.

In Germany the degrees of Royal and Select Master are still controlled by the Grand Lodges.

The Stars at Lake Benton, Minn., gave an entertainment for children of the members New Year's night.

After the installation of officers of the Masonic Lodge at Bryant, S .D., recently, the Stars surprised the brethren with a luncheon, the serving ladies being dressed to represent ghosts.

A contract has been let for the erection of a Masonic Temple at Fond du Lac, Wis.; price $22,900.

Arthur P. Allen, formerly of Chatfield, Minn., was recently elected Master of the Masonic Lodge at Volga, S. D.

Fortitude Lodge at Two Harbors, Minn., celebrated its installation by sending several baskets of provisions to needy families.

G. C. Wendelschafer, pioneer resident of Le Sueur Co., and charter member of Concord Lodge No. 47, Cleveland, Minn., died Jan. 3, aged 72 years.



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ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 5 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., M. Myers, Sec., 704 Mas. Tem. (T. C. 2780. N. W. M. 703.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. W. Weber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Geo. V. B. Hill, W. M., 308 Globe Bldg. (N. W. M. 30-L2. G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

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Minnehaha 165. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Tues. 1535 E. Lake st. Thos. W. Allen, W. M., 3110 20th av. S. (N. W. M. 438-J.) H. S. Goff, Sec., 2628 Clinton av.

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MASONRY'S POWER TO LIFT MEN HIGHER.

Masonry is the patron of education, and teaches men to cultivate the liberal arts and sciences. She exploits the wonderful genius of our first most excellent Grand Master, Solomon, and glories in the achievements of the great Pythagoras. From out the tyled precincts of the Lodge has come in large measure the inspiration that has found expression in the wonderful architectural and mechanical development of this age in which we live. Yet the power of Masonry is not to be found in her adaptability, nor in visible results; these are but evidences of that power. Belief in God is the Alpha and Omega of Free-masonry. On this belief her constitutions, laws and edicts are based; her precepts here are grounded; in this belief her power is found; the power that drives out vice, the power that lifts. The eternal virtues center here, and from this high tower issue their supernal rays. Here brotherly love, relief and truth are born. Here temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice grow. Here belief in the resurrection and the life eternal rests. The highest dignity of man is this belief in the existence of an all wise, all powerful God, whose image he bears, and whose eternal child he is. The abject poverty of spoken language is never so keenly realized as when we come to speak of Deity. Then it is that the paucity of words and the scantiness of their meaning break full upon us, and with the inspired writer we exclaim, "Canst thou find out the Almighty to perfection!" Yet, though language fails to satisfy, and even though our perception be all imperfect, we still believe in God, and in simple faith look to Him for our temporal and eternal needs. The enobling, elevating power of this belief in man can never be fully told by human tongue nor measured by human equations, for it is the very power of God in man.

The strides made by the human intellect are wonderful. We are amazed at the complexity of man's inventions, and delighted with their adaptability for administering to our wants and pleasures. We survey the great ocean of his discoveries with gladsome awe, and the realities of his handiwork all but eclipse the flights of our imagination. We can stand with uncovered heads before some of his stupendous creations of art, and are ravished by the pathos and sweetness of his story and song. But the grandest conception of man, the greatest thought ever entertained by him, the very capsheaf of his attainments, is his arrival at a belief in Deity, that made all, that contains all, is in all and rules all. Here, and here alone, rests his claim to divine origin and sonship. Daniel Webster said the richest conclusion he had reached in all his meditations is that of man's personal responsibility to God for his actions.

Springing from this profound belief, the richness of man's life to himself and its usefulness to others depend, we contend, upon the interpretation he makes of the nature and attributes of that God in whom he believes. Is He a cruel God, or is He a God of mercy? Is He mindful of man, his weakness and infirmities? Is He a sympathetic God, or has He placed His creatures amid a thousand snares and withdrawn His protection and assumed the vigorous attitude of a judge? Is He a God of hate, or a God of love?

Masonry erects her altars to a God of love. Here is the foundation of all fraternity. He that believes that God is a God of love, must believe that He created His children in affection, and not in wrath. If He loves us, it quickly follows that we love Him, and as corollary thereto, all His children are our brothers. Here is the difference between the Christian and the heathen. The one sees a Father, and the other, in his blindness, dreads a Master. The one renders obedience and affection from preference; the other obeys because he feels it is exacted, and substitutes fear for affection. Masonry has heard the question, "Am I my brother's keeper?" and has answered it emphatically in the affirmative. Let that debt of gratitude which you feel you owe to your Maker be paid in services rendered to your fellow man. "If you love me, and believe in me, feed my sheep," expresses the whole fraternal principle. If Gospel makes any one fact clearer than another, it is that to please God you must love His children. If you would reach Him, lift them up. Nor is this life of service a life of hardship. There are no exactions about it. It is not lived with the idea that you are compelled to labor for your neighbor. The services are not rendered under the stern behests of duty. Far from it. Nothing but joy attends these ministrations. Friendship is not forced; brotherly love sounds not in contract. And the great order of things is so constituted that happiness, that which "all the world is seeking," is entirely reflex in its nature. Would you be happy and contented? Then make your fellow man happy and contented. Would you have friends? Be one. Would you be visited when sick? Then visit the sick. Would you that your cup of joy would overflow? Then fill to overflowing your brother's cup. Would you escape the slough of misery? Then lift thy fellow creature out. Would you avoid poverty, would you be rich? Then give of your substance to the poor.

These are the beatitudes of Masonry. Belief that puts in action these precepts is the panacea for all human ills. Without belief we stand in the world isolated and alone. By those mystic cords connecting each human heart to the Divine Spirit, we are all bound together. Let us know that the greatest blunder made in human life is selfishness; and that the Divine

Presence is reached only by indirect approach.

But there is something else growing out of this belief in a Divine Being for use in this present life other than fraternity. "He that would have wisdom, let him ask of God." Victor Hugo says, "At the bottom of every man's conscience, at the very depths of his soul, there is a sentiment, sacred, snblime, insurmountable and irresistable, the sentiment of Right. This is the hidden irresistible obstacle veiled in the recesses of every man's heart, which every thing wrong must sooner or later encounter, the rock on which every evil must inevitably be shipwrecked." It is here, in the profound depths of conscience and soul that every man must meet and consult with God, and obtain that light by which his feet are to be guided, and that wisdom which is to govern his actions. There are other expedients, but nothing is safe but this.

The red glare of the lighthouse at Gibraltar, which is seen from far away, suffices to give a general direction to incoming vessels, but this is not enough, and in the center of the red rays is one of pure white, which shines along the channel of the harbor. Only when this colorless flash rests upon the prow can a ship make safe entrance. Reason, authority, experience and human counsel may render a man wonderful assistance. They may steer him out of many difficulties, and save him from many shipwrecks, but if he wants to be sure to make port, and feel that he is absolutely right, let him have the white light of God's sanction streaming through his conscience. That this power for good is not developed in each of us in a larger measure is our fault, for "he that seeketh findeth, and unto him that knocketh it shall be opened." —Arch A. Johnson of Missouri in Masonic Voice Review.

Brother W. A. Van Brunt has been nearly all his life a resident of the little village of Horicon, Wisconsin. He there entered into business and acquired a goodly fortune for a villager, and now he is crowning the labors of his life by giving to the trustees of the Wisconsin Consistory A. and A. S. R. and their successors in office for a Masonic Home a fertile farm of 319 acres, with large brick residence and other buildings and beautified by lawns and orchards and streams from three large springs of constant flowage. It is to be a home for "deserving and needy Masons, their wives, widows and orphans," in the State of his labors. An unusnal condition of the gift is that the home is not to be named after the giver, for, as he himself puts it, he is "not in the monument business." Minnesota lies next to Wisconsin on the west. Possibly by this act some citizen of Minnesota in village or city or on farm may be set also to thinking.

WORTH PRESERVING FOR REFERENCE.

The **Masonic Token** makes the following estimate of the number of Masons in the world, by Lodges and members:—Argentina Republic, 60, 3000; Brazil, 247, 6,000; Belgium, 19, 1,550; Chili, 10, 500; Cuba, 31, 1,874; Costa Rica, 6, 189; Denmark, 27, 4,243; Dominicia, 15, 750; Egypt, 19, 200; England, 2,499, 125,000; France, 476, 23,800; Germany, 1,000, 40,000; Greece, 11, 1,889; Hayti, 40, 1,000; Holland, 86, 4,398; Hungary, 49, 2,781; Ireland, 455, 22,750; Italy, 109, 5,250; Japan, 3, 250; Luxemburg, 1, 71; Mexico, 245, 22,492; Netherlands, 93, 4,269; New So. Wales, 201, 10,510; New Zeland, 137, 7,227; Norway 9, 1,791; Paraguay, 8, 200; Peru, 33, 550; Portugal, 70, 2,850; Puerto Rico, 15, 396; Queensland, 40, 1,200; Roumania, 24, 1,200; Scotland, 1,000, 50,000; South Australia, 44, 2,833; Spain, 208, 6,000; Sweden, 33, 10,985; Switzerland, 31, 3,058; Tasmania, 27, 700; Turkey, 5, 250; Urnguay, 33, 1,650; Venezuela, 40, 2,000; Victoria, 198, 9,900; Western Austrialia, 74, 3,550; British America, 674, 50,878; United States, 12,637, 1,011,547. Totals, 21,042, 1,451,531.

THE DIMIT.

The Grand Master of Ohio recommends the abolishing of the Dimit, and gives the following as his reasons: Many times during the year my attention has been called to the fact that a brother in good standing in his lodge has received a dimit and applied to another lodge for membership. His application was blackmailed, and upon applying again to his home lodge he met the same fate.

If a brother is in good standing physically, financially, mentally and morally to receive a dimit from his lodge, then he is just such a person as the Masonic Fraternity desires and should not lose under any circumstances. I would therefore suggest that our statutes be so changed that instead of requirlng an applicant for membership to accompany said application by a dimit, that he accompany it by a certificate of good standing from the lodge, under the seal, signed by the Worshipful Master and Secretary, and not over sixty days old. With this certificate the receiving lodge would be enabled to entertain his petition and elect him to membership, if it so desires. After a successful ballot has been had on the candidate for membership, and he has been declared duly elected, the secretary of the receiving lodge, under seal of said lodge signed by the Worshipful Master and secretary, should then ask the mother lodge for the brother's dimit, and the moment that the dimit is granted, which must be granted if the brother is clear on the books, and in good standing, according to our laws, membership in the mother lodge ceases and in the receiving lodge begins. By this arrangement he would never find himself in the unfortunate position of being deprived of membership, when in reality he ought to retain it, and the Fraternity ought to have the benefit of his support.

Symbolic Degrees. The first three degrees of Free Masonry, namely, those of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason, are known, by way of distinction, as the "Symbolic Degrees." This term is never applied to the degrees of Mark, Past, and Most Excellent Master, and the Royal Arch, which, as being conferred in a body called a Chapter, are generally designated as "Capitular degrees;" nor to those of Royal and Select Master, which, conferred in a Council, are, by an excellent modern usage, styled "Cryptic degrees," from the crypt or vault which plays so important a part in their ritual. But the term "symbolic" is exclusively confined to the degrees conferred in a Lodge of three primitive degrees, which Lodge, therefore, whether opened on the first, the second, or the third degree, is always referred to as a 'symbolic lodge."—Mackey.

Often in Masonic literature an item of perhaps a few lines impresses the reader with the thought of the prevalence of Masonry throughout the world. The follwing is a sample, from The London Freemason, England: The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, P. G. W., on Tuesday evening of the current week attended the reception of the Empire lodge to Bro. his Excellency the Japanese Ambassador.

EASTERN STAR NEWS.

MEMORIAM.

Sister Nancy E. Gary, an active member of Mistletoe Court, No. 1, has entered upon her first Sunday in the celestial city of the redeemed. With the tender services and benediction of her church resting upon her, she was borne away by friends and sisters of the O. E. S., and laid to rest in the cemetery at Marshall, Minnesota. Her work is finished, but its influence will be felt as long as the lessons of the Amaranth are taught; though dead, she will yet speak. **Annie M. Keiler, Secretary O. of A.**

The administration for 1905, Mistlecourt No. 1, O. of A., concluded its work Thursday evening, Jan. 11. Sir Knight H. A. Maas, installing officer, Lady Alice Munson, chaplain, and Lady Elizabeth Thomas, marshal, installed the following officers for the ensuing year: Nettie Merriam, Royal Matron; H. A. Maas, Royal Patron; Nellie McCall, Associate Matron; Annie M. Keiler, secretary; Annie Chadwick, Treasurer; Kate Huntington, Conductress; Bessie Shannon, Associate Conductress; Maude Inez Hunter, Warder; Sir Knight E. J. Hodges, Sentinel; Mary Walker, Herald; Martha Emery, Marshal in the East; Alice Willard, Marshal in the West; Lucy Ray, Organist; Ada Deming, Truth; Annie Kupfer, Faith; Mary Taylor, Wisdom; Eliza McClintic, Charity; Flora A. Pattee, Musical Director. The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, Feb. 8. The officers are requested to meet at 2:30 P. M., for drill. Supper will be served at 6:30 P. M. Members and friends are invited to be present.

Cereal Chapter of Mankato claims to be the oldest chapter of the order in the State, and has this year celebrated its 34th anniversary. The ceremonies were unusually interesting and impressive.

The person initiated into a Masonic Lodge is a brother to each member then and thereafter, and each member is a brother to him; and the lodge can do the newly made brother no greater good at the outset than to require him to be a thoroughly well posted Mason, so far as he has traveled, before advancing into other fields of research. The thorough mastery of any subject, in any walk in life, is a peculiar and intense satisfaction, while a partial mastery only is an annoyance in one's own thoughts and a mortification often in the presence of others. It is a credit both to the brother and to the lodge that he shall be a master in knowledge, step by step, as he advances along the way. Let us see to it, brethren, that justice is done the newly admitted friend and brother.

The Eastern Star is gaining such a hold in Masonic circles that in many places its officers and those of the Blue Lodge and R. A M. are being installed on the same evening and at the same place in a joint installation. Invariably a banquet and program of exceeding excellence accompany the installation.

THE IDEAL FREEMASON.

Before, however, I proceed to the subject matter of the short address that I had purposed to speak to you this evening, permit me to ask your patience for a few moments, whilst I portray to you the ideal Freemason. It is the man who calmly and modestly moves in the sphere of his life; who, without blemish, fulfils his duty as a man, a subject, a husband, and a father, who is pious without hypocrisy, benevolent without ostentation, and aiding his fellow-men, without self-interest, whose heart beats warm for friendship, whose serene mind is open to licensed pleasures, who in vicisitudes will not despair, nor in fortune be presumptuous, and who will be resolute in the hour of danger. The man who is free from superstition and free from infidelity; who in nature sees the hand of the Eternal Creator; to whom Faith, Hope and Charity are not mere words without meaning; who feels and adores the higher destiny of man. To whom property, nay, even life itself, is not too dear for the protection of innocence and virtue, and for the defence of truth.

The man, who, towards himself, is a severe judge, and who is tolerant towards the debilities of his neighbor; who endeavors to oppose error without arrogance, and to propagate intelligence without precipitation. Who properly understands to estimate and employ his means, who honors virtue, though it be in the humblest garment, and does not favor vice though it be clothed in purple, and who administers justice to merit, whether it be in palaces or in cottages.

The man, who, without courting applause, is beloved by all nobleminded men, respected by his superiors, revered by his subordinates. The man who does not proclaim what he has done, can do, will do, but where need is, will take hold with dispassionate courage, circumspect resolution, indefatigable exertion, and a rare power of mind, and who will not cease until he has accomplished his work, and then, without pretention, will retire into the multitude because he did the good work, not for himself, but for the cause of good.

Brethren, if you meet such a man, you will have found the personification of brotherly love, relief and truth, and you will have met the ideal Freemason.—**Wm. Northwood in Masonic Sun.**

If a brother or any other person wrongs you, that is his fault; you need not be much troubled about it. If you wrong a brother or any other person, that is your fault, not his, and you are the one to be troubled about it until it is made right.

Ancient Craft Masonry. This is the name given to the three symbolic degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason. The degree of Royal Arch is not generally included under this appellation; although when considered (as it really is) a complement of the third degree, it must of course constitute a part of Ancient Craft Masonry. In the articles of union between the two Grand Lodges of England, adopted in 1813, it is declared that, "pure Ancient Masonry consists of three degrees and no more; viz.: those of the Entered Apprentice, the Fellow Craft, and the Master Mason, including the Supreme Order of the Holy Royal Arch."—**Mackey.**

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ENJOY.

Enjoy. Enjoy now. It is winter in the North. Go ont and let a snowflake fall on the lapel of your coat. You have a jewel there that rivals in its crystalized exactness and feathery expansion the diadems of kings in beauty. And if this one fades there are others in the air and nnder feet and all around. And what in all the imaginings of ruler or peasant can be more beautiful than an atmosphere of falling or drifting crystals of vapor!

Enjoy, and thank God. Enjoy the every breath that expands the lnngs and vibrates in song or petition or thanksgiving as it goes forth again into the snrrounding and all snstaining air. Enjoy the clothing that is yours; it has been plncked and woven and fitted for you by a thonsand busy hands. Enjoy the sheltering roof and confines of yonr home; it is the gift of the Almighty to you and yours. Enjoy the common hearthstone fire; it has been prepared for yon from the fonndations of the earth.

Enjoy the light after the darkness, this day, as the snn illumines the east, that one may go forth to his labors. Enjoy the evening shade, this light, that one may rest from his laevening, and the darkness after the bors after a day of toil.

Enjoy the winter while it is passing. The day and night together are twenty-four hours long, as long as any day and evening and night and morning any living sonl shall ever have in any revolution of the earth for enjoyment. Enjoy the rain in its season, the reviving and blossoming vegetation of spring, the foliage of summer, the fruitage of autumn, and again the drifting and all-covering whiteness of the snow. And enjoy these things each in its season as the seasons come and go in the eternal, assured and ever existing NOW.

Everything is old and familiar; enjoy it. And everything is new, made so every honr and day under the hand of the Mason and Christian's God; enjoy it. And enjoy it today, NOW. And who can enjoy more than can a Mason? "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above and cometh down form the Father of lights," and in this unfailing source of snpply the Mason's faith is fixed and unwavering; it is established before he can become a member of the fraternity. It remains for Masons as well as others al along on the journey of life to learn to he wiser; to think less of annoyances and difficulties, or even adversities, and more of the rich and bountiful and ever recurring blessings that come in the rising or the setting of the sun in everyday life. Oh, that the human race might have a stronger tendency of thonght and a greater and increasing capacity to enjoy that which is at hand. Let it be understood that in enjoyment as truly as in other matters, behold, "now is the accepted time; today is the day of salvation."

One can imagine the life that is his, the soul and intelligence constituting his real entity, as existing at some point in the soul-sustaining ether of the Almighty away from earth. In such case the revolving of this particular sphere and its revolution aronnd the sun would not mean what they do at present. Day and night would not occnr; spring and summer and autnmn and winter would not come and go; the past wonld not be measnred by years or centuries or milleniums or aeons, but thought of if at all as nnmeasnred and immeasurable, and the future would be equally a limitless, unfathomable and immeasnrable eternity, and there would remain to that soul, be it mine or yours, only the eternal ever existing NOW in which to enjoy the gifts of the eternal Father and the works of His hands. It remaineth for us all, brethren, here and hereafter, to grow in the understanding of the weighty word NOW, unfathomable in its significance.

CALLING THE ANGELS IN.

We mean to do it. Some day, some day,
We mean to slacken this feverish rush
That is wearing our very souls away,
And grant to our hearts a hush
That is only enough to let them hear
The footsteps of angels drawing near.

We mean to do it. Oh, never doubt,
When the burden of daytime broil is o'er,
We'll sit and muse while the stars come out,
As the patriarchs sat in the door
Of their tents with a heavenward gazing eye,
To watch for angels passing by.

We've seen them afar at high noontide,
When fiercely the world's hot flashings beat;
Yet never have bidden them turn aside,
To tarry in converse sweet;
Nor prayed them to hallow the cheer we spread,
To drink of our wine and break of our bread.

We promise our hearts that when the stress
Of the life-work reaches the longed-for close,
When the weight that we groan with hinders less
We'll welcome such calm repose
As banishes care's disturbing din,
And then—we'll call the angels in.

The day that we dreamed of comes at length,
When tired of every mocking guest,
And broken in spirit and shorn of strength,
We drop at the door of rest,
And wait and watch as the day wanes on—
But the angels we meant to call are gone!

—Ex.

In Iowa, in accordance with a recently adopted regulation of the Grand Lodge, a declaration must be signed by a brother visiting a Lodge in the State, giving the name, number and location of the lodge where he was initiated, passed and raised, and the name, nnmber and location of the lodge of which he is a member, and that he is not under sentence of expulsion or snspension. The object of the regulation is to facilitate in the inquiry of the standing of brothers traveling in foreign countries and desiring to visit lodges.

THE DAY AND THE YEAR.

Unhappy was the old Roman emperor when, as the evening shades had gathered, and he realized that he had done no good deed during the day, he exclaimed: "Amici, diem perdidi"—My friends, I have lost a day! And happy is that brother in Masonry or any other person who can realize as the shades of evening gather for him, that the day has not been lost, that he has done during its continuance a good deed. The hands of an ordinary clock cannot be seen to move, however closely watched, and yet they go round and round the dial. No mortal on earth has ever felt that the earth is revolving round the sun, and yet it moves on in its orbit round and round in the cycle of its years. If something good can be done by you and by me, or some good end accomplished or advanced each day, the year for us will take care of itself, the new year or the old.

Brother Jerome C. Townsend, formerly publisher of **The Observer**, died at Bellingham, Washington, on Monday, Jan. 15. The remains at this writing are on the way to Minneapolis for interment. Further notice of the labors of Brother Townsend as editor of **The Observer** and in other fields of activity will appear in a future number.

"There's the same little mound in the end, in the end,
For sweetheart and lover, for foeman and friend,
And the same waving grasses to whisper and bend,
While still the procession moves on, moves on."

Rebus. I am composed of fifteen letters; my first is in mount but not in hill; my second is in fountain but not in rill; my third is in Amos but not in Jane; my fourth is in road but not in lane; my fifth is in hound but not in dog; my sixth is in rain but not in fog; my seventh is in mice but not in rat; my eighth is in owl but not in bat; my ninth is in Bob but not in Jim; my tenth is in Sam but not in Tim; my eleventh is in money but not in cash; my twelfth is in storm but not in smash; my thirteenth is in five but not in four; my fourteenth is in house but not in door; my fifteenth is in run but not in walk; tell me what I am and you can talk. My whole is to some men a great convenience, to others a necessity.—Invisible.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Zion Commandery will hold a card and dance party at Masonic Temple on Tuesday evening, Jan. 23.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery will work the Red Cross degree on Tuesday at 4:30 P. M. Annual inspection in the evening.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4 will work in the F. C. degree at its stated communication on Wednesday evening, Jan. 24. Brethren invited.

A special communication of Minnesota lodge No. 224 will be held on Tuesday evening, Jan. 23. Work in the F. C. degree. Brethren invited.

Bro. Geo. W. Hall, secretary of Plymouth lodge and Columbian chapter, joined the ranks of the veteran Masons of Minnesota at their gathering at St. Paul on Tuesday evening.

A special communication of Ark Lodge No. 176 will be held on Monday evening, Jan. 29, for work in the F. C. degree. Several candidates will receive the degree. Brethren cordially invited.

Brother G. M. Dempsie, of Minnesota Lodge No. 224, throws his parlors open gratuitously at 316 Nicollet Ave. every Thursday evening for the accommodation of Masons known to be such wishing instruction in the lectures.

The school of Masonic instruction was held in St. Paul Monday and Tuesday of last week under the direction of the Board of Custodians of the work, Brother Chas. Griswold, chairman, Bros. Wm. B. Patton, D. W. Knowlton, Wm. R. Smith, John H. Sprout.

The Masonic Veterans Association of Minnesota held their 14th annual reunion and banquet at St. Paul on Jan. 17. An obituary address on Brother Geo. R. Metcalf, past President of the order, who died in Italy last summer, was pronounced by Dr. S. G. Smith. The old officers, including Bro. Thos. C. Clark, President, were re-elected.

In the labors of Minnehaha lodge No. 165 there are four Entered Apprentices helping to bear the burdens and preparing for more advanced labors. Past Master Carl J. Stockdale has so far recovered from his sickness as to have returned to his desk in Milwaukee in the general store of the C. M. & St. P. Ry. Brother Fred W. Orchard, for many years a traveling salesman with home in Minneapolis, has been placed by his company in charge of their headquarters in this city. Brother W. A. Stevens is improving.

On Wednesday, Jan. 17, at High Noon, the M. W. Grand Lodge of A. F. and A. M. of Minnesota convened at St. Paul, the M. W. Grand Master Bro. Henry M. Tusler presiding. There are 241 chartered lodges in the State, holding a membership of 21,060.

The Grand Lodge has practically committed itself to the building of a Masonic home, having placed the matter in the hands of a committee.

Brother J. G. Graves, Tyler of Ark Lodge No. 176, has recently resigned his position as rural mail carrier. Brother Graves served his country in his younger years in upholding its flag in the war for the Union, as well as in his later years in delivering its mail. In this later work he has served for several rounds of the seasons. The years as well as his ardous labors are beginning to tell a little on Brother Graves.

A special assembly of St. Paul Council No. 1 Royal and Select Masters was held Monday, Jan. 15, for work. Ten candidates were greeted as Select Masters. The Super Excellent degree was conferred in full, Ill. P. G. M. John Fishel presiding over the degree work. Quite a large number of Minneapolis companions were present, including the Minnesota Masonic quartette, who performed the musical part of the work. The meeting was followed by a social hour in the banquet room.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Duluth Commandery Knight Templars will give an entertainment and dance on Tuesday evening, Jan. 23, in the auditorium of the Masonic temple.

The Royal Arch Masons of Manila have petitioned the General Grand Chapter R. A. M. of the United States for a dispensation to establish a chapter in that possession.

The Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Winona, will hold a midwinter convocation Jan. 30, 31, and Feb. 1 and 2, at which all the degrees, 4—32, will be conferred. A very beautiful program has been issued.

The Grand Lodge of Georgia has built a Masonic Home, and the home is free from debt. Grand Master Meyerhardt has been one of the prime movers in the undertaking, and is rejoicing over the success of the movement.

The jewels and praphernalia of the Masonic lodge at Drayton, N. D., were destroyed by fire Dec. 29. Fortunately for the lodge the charter was kept in a tin box and this in a vault at all times when the lodge was not in session. In this saving from fire there may be a pointer for other lodges.

At Litchfield, Minn., on Jan. 12, Golden Fleece Lodge was the host, and the lodges at Atwater, Hutchinson, Howard Lake, Cokato and Dassel were the guests. A very excellent choice of toasts was responded to as follows: Antiquity of Masonry, W. D. Joubert; Relation of the Church to Masonry, Rev. C. R. Oaten; Relation of the Individual to the Order, Rev, A. Chard; Masonry and Patriotism, C. W. Stites; History of Masonry in this Jurisdiction, A. T. Koerner. The address of welcome was given by V. A. Harris; response, W. W. Sivright, of Hutchinson.

The celebration of the semi-centennial of Dakota lodge No. 7 at Hastings, Minnesota, was held in the court house in that city last week. About 300 were present, including prominent Masons from various cities round about. Most Worshipful Grand Master H. M. Tusler of St. Paul responded to the toast, "The Grand Lodge of Minnesota," and Past Grand Master Henry R. Adams of Minneapolis to the toast "The Past Grand Master of Minnesota." Other speakers were brothers W. F. Kunze of Red Wing, and M. H. Sullivan and A. M. Adsit of the local lodges.

The sufferings and labors of Judge Nathaniel A. Gearhart, of Duluth, were ended at his deathbed in that city on Jan. 11. He was a member of Palestine lodge of Duluth, and of the Scottish Rite bodies of that city. He was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, and held the highest honors that can be conferred by that order upon a brother, the offices of Most Worthy Grand Patron of the state of Minnesota and of the General Grand Chapter of the United States. Brother Gearhart was a veteran of the war for the Union. At Gettysburg he received a bullet wound in the leg, from the effects of which he never fully recovered. In civil life he was one of the founders of the city of his adoption and a leader in its undertakings. The honored brother will be mourned by many sincere friends and admirers throughout the State and Northwest.

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THE ROYAL ARCH RITE.

By J. M. Hodson.

In the United States there are forty-four Grand Chapters practicing what should be known as the American Royal Arch Rite, because in its esotery there is an approach to uniformity; the prerequisites are the same, the list of degrees and official routine are the same, or very nearly so. These Grend Chapters have a fraction less than 3,000 Subordinate Chapters, with an aggregate membership of about 275,000. In British North America there are three Grand Chapters, one of which uses the American system, the other two a mixture of the English and American. They have 110 Subordinate Chapters, with approximately 8,000 members. In the English system, the Royal Arch is treated as the fourth degree, and the Chapters are attached to Lodges of the Ancient Craft, though independently maintaining a Grand Chapter, the business of which is almost entirely managed by a Council of Administration, or Committee of General Purposes. We are without statistics regarding the number of Royal Arch Masons, but from conversations had with those who have traveled in England and to some extent associated with English Masonry, we think the Royal Arch is rather exclusive and attained by comparatively few, probably reaching but little, if any, above 5,000. The officers, legend and esotery differ in many respects from the American Rite, the Council consisting of First, Second and Third Grand Principals, answering to King, Priest and Prophet, Veils nor Masters of the Veils not appearing in the work. In the Grand Chapters of Ireland the degrees and work are entirely different from both the English and American systems, but about thirty years ago a change was made, in which they now resemble the American system more nearly than any other, though the presiding officer is King, followed by High Priest and Scribe. The other officers correspond almost exactly with American grand officers, both in title and ritualistic duties. There are 175 Chapters, with approximately 8,000 members. The Chapter degrees preliminary to the Royal Arch were formerly: Past Master, Excellent Master and Super Excellent Master, but we are not advised whether in the change to American Royal Arch the prerequisites were changed. The Grand Chapter of Scotland is organized with officers identical with the Grand Chapter of England, and the prerequisites to the Royal Arch are Mark, Past, Excellent and Super Excellent degrees. We have made effort to secure statistical information of the Grand Chapter of Scotland, but so far with meager results. It probably has about 100 Chapters and approximately 6,000 members. A conservative estimate would place the number of affiliated Royal Arch Masons in the world at 310,000, with about 90 per cent working the American Rite and the other closely kindred rites.



JEROME C. TOWNSEND.

There are three Royal Arch degrees, or three degrees denominated Royal Arch, belonging to the different systems of esoteric teaching. For distinction the American is termed the Royal Arch of Zerubbabel, and in most features corresponds with the ceremonies and teachings as practiced in English chapters. The Royal Arch of Solomon is the thirteenth degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite as practiced in Lodges of Perfection all over the wolrd. The Royal Arch of Enoch is based upon the legend and history of the seventh patriarch, who, according to the story, lived 365 years upon earth, and "was not, for God took him." No matter by which route the Masonic student may travel, the discovery of the True Word is the goal. There is no history of the Royal Arch degree to which we can point as safely reliable. Many writers assert that anciently the experiences and teachings formed the last section of the Master Mason degree, and that during the rivalry between the regular Grand Lodge of England and the seceders, which began in 1738 and ended in 1813, the section was segregated and formed into a degree and fully recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England upon the latter date, when the union was effected and the present Grand Lodge of England formed, which declared at its meeting in 1813: "That Ancient Craft Masonry consists of three degrees, including the Holy Royal Arch."

In foreign grand jurisdictions admission as visitors is based upon pateuts and diplomas. No amount of knowledge of the ritual of any of the systems of teachings would be sufficient. You must first have the invitation from a member and then produce the recognized documents. In Canadian Lodges and Chapters the usage of visiting is much like that practiced in the United State, but even there the

traveling brother will find documentary evidence very valuable.

In theory Masonry is universal. In practice, while the principles taught are almost identical, the rites and usages are at wide variance. Almost all there is of Royal Arch Masonry of any variety is confined to the English speaking people, while the Scottish Rite is found in some form in all even half civilized nations except Russia, in which no Masonry of any rite has ever gained a foothold.—Voice-Review.

GRAND LODGE.

Grand Secretary Montgomery has issued a circular letter giving the following information: At the Fifty-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota, held at St. Paul, January 17 and 18, 1906, the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

Elected.

Thomas Morris, Crookston, Grand Master; Gustaf Widell, Mankato, Deputy Grand Master; William P. Roberts, Minneapolis, Senior Grand Warden; Eugene E. Swan, Stewart, Junior Grand Warden; David W. Knowlton. Minneapolis, Grand Treasurer; Thos. Montgomery, St. Paul, Grand Secretary.

Appointed.

Owen Morris, St. Paul, Grand Orator; Alfred G. Pinkham, Owatonna, Grand Chaplain; Sheldon L. Frazer, Duluth, Senior Grand Deacon; Horace M. Myers, Minneapolis, Junior Grand Deacon; H. W. Hendrickson, Montevideo, Grand Marshal; William A. Nolan, Grand Meadow, Grand Standard Bearer; Edwin H. Foot. Red Wing, Grand Sword Bearer; W. C. Masterman, Stillwater, Senior Grand Steward; Carles W. Stites, Lake Benton, Junior Grand Steward E. H. Sherwin, Monticello, Grand Pursuivant; Chas. J. Kruger, St. Paul, Grand Tyler.

Committee on Correspondence.

Irving Todd, Hastings, Thos. Montgomery, St. Paul, George N. Houghton, Minneapolis.

Board of Custodians.

Charles Griswold, North St. Paul, Chairman, Wm. B. Patton, Duluth, David W. Knowlton, Minneapolis, Wm. R. Smith, Benson, John H. Sprout, Blue Earth.

There were present 16 grand officers, 17 permanent members, 16 D. D. G. Masters and 380 representatives of 221 out of 242 active chartered lodges, including 110 proxies.

Initiated during 1905, 1,455; passed, 1,329; raised, 1,284; joined, 529; restored, 69. Total gains, 1,882. Withdrawn, 672; stricken from roll, 205; suspended, 7; expelled, 4; died 229. Total loss, 1,117. Net gain, 765. Affiliated members January 1, 1906, 21,056.

Receipts, $12,027.90. Expenses, $7,514.32. In Treasury, General Fund, $19,296.54; Widow's and Orphan's Fund, $34,993.36. Total, $54,289.90. Appropriated for relief of 11 needy cases, $965.

Six new lodges were chartered.

Of the above officers Morris, Widell, Roberts, Swan, Frazer, Hendrickson, Masterman and Stites were advanced one grade, Nolan two grades, Knowlton, Montgomery, Pinkham, Foot and Kruger remain in same grade, while Owen Morris and Horace M. Myers are new officers.

Geo. N. Houghton is a new member of the correspondence committee. The Board of Custodians remains unchanged.

NECROLOGIC.

The Grand Lodge of Mississippi announces the death, on Dec. 9th., of her Senior Past Grand Master, Andrew Hannah Barkley. Bro. Barkley was born in Tennessee, July 25, 1829; initiated in 1864; elected Grand Master in 1874 without having passed through the intermediate stations; was correspondence reporter for twenty-one years; he spent his life in Church work, being a Presbyterian Minister.

The Grand Lodge of Michigan announces the death of Past Grand Master, John W. McGrath, on Dec. 9.

Bro. McGrath was eminent in both Masonic and Civil life. He was State Labor Commissioner, City Counselor of Detroit and Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. This Grand Lodge also mourns the death of its Senior Grand Deacon, Thomas Reardon, who died January 3.

Judge John H. Potter, of 1623 South street, Duluth, died at 7:30 o'clock Jan. 22, at his home. Pneumonia was the cause of his death. The funeral was conducted by the Masonic fraternity. He leaves a widow, but no children.

Judge Potter was born in Whitefield, Me., Dec. 23, 1835. He and Mrs. Potter moved from Maine to Duluth fourteen years ago, and he practiced law, his life profession, here most of the time since, but had not been active the last four or five years, as his health had been failing. The judge was a man that was much respected by all who knew him.

In Maine he was for years a prominent and successful attorney, while in Duluth he was best known as a man well versed in land law, but in the period of his greatest activity he won distinction in all branches of the profession. He was for years a partner of Eben L. Pillsbury, a widely known attorney at Bangor, Me., and the firm was known throughout New England. He was a student up to the time that his health failed him, and was remarkably well informed on a great variety of subjects in literature. He was a man of culture and learning and his death removes a well known figure in Duluth.

Jerome Calvin Townsend, born June 20, 1859, at Bombay, Franklin County, New York, died January 15, at Bellingham, Washington. His Parents were Calvin Townsend and Edna Donaldson; his only brother and sister, each older than himself, died in infancy. His father, well known to Minneapolis people, and late a member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, resides at St. Louis Park, Minnesota; his mother died when Jerome was but two years old. He remained in the town of his nativity until six years old, beginning his school life during his fifth year. In 1865 young Townsend came to Minnesota with his father and settled at Wabasha. About 1868 they removed to Anoka where they resided about twelve years during which time Jerome graduated from the high school of that place. In the fall of 1880 the Townsend family removed to Minneapolis, where for ten years Jerome was engaged in various occupations, among others soliciting advertisements for Minneapolis papers, and for a time published "The Fireside." August 28, 1890, he was appointed a substitute, and August 1st. 1891 a regular Letter Carrier in the Minneapolis post office, which position he filled faithfully and well until July last, when failing health compelled him to leave the City and State. He was united in marriage to Miss Ida M. O'Niell of this city, December 15, 1892; his widow and one child, a boy of twelve years, survive and are now in Minneapolis. Brother Townsend purchased a half interest in the Masonic Observer, and later became sole owner and publisher, continuing ownership from February 29, 1904 to July 15, 1905 at which time he sold the paper to the present owners. During all this time he continued the arduous

duties of a Letter Carrier, and there is no doubt but the double duties hastened his end. For a time after reaching his new home he seemed improved in health, but soon began to fail and death soon relieved him from severe physical suffering.

Brother Townsend received the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason in Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, Jan. 23, 31, and March 24, 1896, respectively; was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in St. Johns Chapter No. 9, Nov. 10, 1899, and the degrees, Royal Master, Select Master and Super Excellent Master, June 20, 1902, this being his forty-third birthday. Brother Townsend's body was brought to Minneapolis where funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 21, under the auspices of his Lodge, and was largely attended by his brethren, Letter Carriers and members of the Flambeaux Club. Reverend Brother J. B. Hingeley conducted the services and officiated at the private interment at Lakewood cemetery the following morning. Many warm friends among his fraternal and business associates mourn the loss of this faithful friend and Brother.—U. G. H.

REVIEW OF PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND BODIES.

The sixteenth annual communication of the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., North Dakota, was held at Grand Forks June 27-28. Lodges, 74, Members, 5153, Increase, 306.

Grand Master Foley, in his address said:

"We are asembled this year in one of the temples of Masonry, recently erected in this state, and which in its construction and adornment typifies the solid growth and beauty of Freemasonry. Let us before proceeding with the work of our communication take note of the symbolism of this and all masonic temples. The solidity of its construction is indicative of the sound body of man, preserved in health and strength by temperance, chastity, and prudence; its interior adornment, illustrative of those intellectual and spiritual graces with which the mind is adorned, and which it is the purpose of our Institution to develop and to multiply. Masonry seeks to combine the sound mind and healthful body to the end that its patrons may be known everywhere as persons of more than ordinary attainments, as loyal citizens, upright men, and marked by this Order as worthy of honor and preferment. But as a temple, however splendid in its exterior, is incomplete without interior adornment, so the temple of man's body is incomplete without those ennobling graces of mind which should always be our purpose to inculcate and develop." In this jurisdiction each lodge whose report is not in the hands of the Grand Secretary within the statutory time is subject to a fine of $5.00. The Grand Lodges of Puerto Rico and Queensland were recognized. The duties of auditor were added to those of Grand Lecturer, making it the duty of that official to examine the records of the particular lodges and instruct the secretaries in the methods of keeping their records; from the fact that not more than half a dozen returns from the seventy-four lodges were correct and complete, this action seems necessary. An appropriation of $70.00 was made for the purchase of a typewriter for Grand Secretary's office—Minnesota should follow. Grand Lodge believing that the "fraternal reviews" were largely devoted to complimentary remarks among correspondents, adopted this motion: "That the work of the Correspondent be modified and limited to a compilation of the approved decisions and important legislation of the various Grand Lodges," in carrying out this plan Fraternal Correspondent Carothers is enabled to confine his reviews for the years 193 and 1904 to thirteen pages. Grand Master having decided that an Entered Apprentice having received an injury shortly after initiation which necessitated the amputation of his left leg at the knee, could not be advanced, the jurisprudence committee disapproved and Grand Lodge sustained the committee. The following was adopted as an amendment to the By-Laws:

"That it shall be lawful for a particular lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction to receive and ballot upon a petition for degrees of the son or nephew of an affiliated Master Mason within the last six months of the son's or nephew's twenty-first year; provided, however, that such person shall not be initiated an Entered Apprentice until he shall have attained the age of twenty-one."

This Grand Lodge pays mileage at the rate of three cents and a per diem of two dollars to its members: amounting to $1,015.50 for this year.

The universality of Masonry was exemplified at a recent annual Masonic banquet at Honolulu, where brothers of the craft were present from many of theStates of the Union and nearly every country in the world. As usual at such gatherings there was much to enjoy.

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Grand Lodge appropriated $200. as salary for Grand Treasurer.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta will meet at Medicine Hat Feb. 14.

Jamestown Lodge No. 6, North Dakota, will celebrate its 25th anniversary on Feb. 7.

Masons of Sheldon, N. D., have completed a Temple and are now in possession of a good home.

DeMolai Consistory, A. A. S. R., Clinton, Iowa, is planning to build a $50,000 Masonic Temple this year.

Mizpah Lodge No. 39, Sheldon, N. D. dedicated its new hall Jan. 18. Governor Sarles delivered an address.

C. C. Gifford was recently elected to his fifty-first term as Secretary of Valley Lodge No. 9, Rochester, N. Y.

Theodore Rosevelt has been elected to receive the Chapter degrees but will not receive them until after he retires from office.

The Lodge of Perfection at Langdon, N. D. has a membership of 185; a Chapter Rose Croix is to be instituted there about March 1.

Several towns throughout the state have already begun efforts to secure the Masonic Home, even though it will not be erected for some time yet. Little Falls seems to be one of the strongest candidates at present. Austin is also a Barkis.

Attention is called to the Shrine emblem advertised in this paper. It is a very neat jewel, a copy of which can be seen at the Observer office.

Bismarck, N. D. will have a Masonic Temple before next summer has passed by, if the present plans of the Fraternity in that city are accomplished.

Harry A. Collins, Imperial Potentate, has retired from the office of Illustrious Potentate of Rameses Temple Toronto, which he has held for seventeen years.

Alabama has issued a new Masonic Manual containing the degree and ceremonial work, forms required by subordinate lodges and the constitution and edicts of Grand Lodge.

Vermillion, S. D. Masons are claiming that L. D. Lyon a resident of that city is the oldest Mason in the State. Bro Lyons was initiated in Phoenix Lodge No. 8, Fayetteville, N. C. May 17, 1852.

Abraham Lincoln, after his election to the Presidency in 1860, petitioned Springfield Lodge No. 4, Springfield, Ill., and was elected but never received the degrees.

The Masonic Grand Bodies of Mississippi will meet in annual session at Brookheaven on following dates: Grand Lodge, Feb. 20, Grand Council, Feb. 21, Grand Chapter, Feb. 22, Grand Commandery, Feb. 23, Hamasa Temple, A. O. N. M. S. will hold a ceremonial session Feb. 23, at same place.

Grand Lodge at its recent communication adopted a resolution authorizing the Grand Master to appoint a committee of twelve to incorporate an association for the purpose of creating a fund for the erection and maintainance of a Masonic Home, with the proviso that a minimum sum of $100,000 must be obtained before the Home can be erected.

Much is said and written about the uselessness of Grand Representatives. This writer is under obligations to many of them during many years of search for information on Masonic subjects, and has always found them courteous and quick to respond. It is the custom in the Grand Council of Royal and select Masters of this Jurisdiction for each Grand Representative in attendance to report the condition of Cryptic Masonry in the Jurisdiction which he represents. Call upon them brethren, and you will learn that they are useful.

The editor recently saw a Shrine emblem purchased in Minneapolis, purporting to be an official emblem having the points of the crescent turned up. In an article upon this Order published some time since, we called attention to the proper form of this emblem. When members are purchasing emblems it is well to know that they are made in proper form.

Langdon, N. D. will be the gathering place of the clans late in February. It is expected that at least seventy-five candidates will be on hand, and degree teams from Fargo will be on hand to work the fourteenth to the thirty-second degrees inclusive. After the three days of work, commencing Feb. 27th, a chapter of Rose Croix will be instituted at Langdon, the second in the state.

The following is a list of Minnesotans who are known to be Masons of more than fifty years standing:

John Minot Daggett, 1841; John Young Reeve, 1845; John Nevin, 1850; Giles William Merrill, 1850; Josiah Blodgett Chaney, 1852; Franklin Adams Welles, 1853; William Penn McCormack, 1853; Alvah Andrew Crampton, 1853; John Francis Martin, 1845; George Williams Hiltz, 1848; John Wadlin Miller, 1850; Thomas Jefferson Lombard, 1851; William Pitt Murray, 1853; Ludolph Aug. Fullgraff, 1853; Samuel Emery Adams, 1853; William Henry Hoit, 1853; James Abell, 1853; James M. D. Craft 1854; Robert Crawford Wiley, 1854; John Burrows Cook, 1854; William Solomon Combs, 1854.

If a brother at work unconsciously permits a slip of the tongue, what of it, my brethren? If his heart is in the work, and he is succeeding in making the lesson impressive, the error is as a lone chaff in a measure of wheat. Go through the work yourself, and by yourself, and see whether you can do it without correcting yourself and without error. And if not, what would you do before your lodge and visiting brothers?

DECISIONS.

Idaho. A druggist who sells bottled liquors as a beverage, in bottles or othewise, whether consumed on the premises or not, is not eligible to the degrees.

A non-affilliate engaged in the saloon business is not eligible to become a contributing member of a lodge.

A man who has lost one eye, the other being in perfect health, is not eligible to the degrees.

A suspended Mason has no right to prefer charges against a member of a lodge.

An installed officer cannot dimit during his term.

A petition for degrees or membership must lie over for at least one Lunar month before any action can be taken.

The conferring of degrees or other Masonic labor (except performing the last sad duties to the dead) on Sunday is unmasonic, and not to be permitted.—Grand Master.

A candidate after receiving the third degree is required to pass an examination in that degree within two months thereafter.—Juris, Com.

When a Brother objects to the initiation of a candidate the objection must he made in open lodge, and the Secretary record the fact that an objection had been made and by whom.—Grand Lodge.

ORDER OF MALTA.

Zion and Darius Commanderies have about completed arrangements for the conferring of this Order in full form. The date has been set for March 23, and only a few details are necessary to make preliminary preparations complete.

It is expected that the attendance will reach more than one thousand, as the invitation will be general. To facilitate the work of identification an examining committee will be in session all day and visitors should present themselves early to avoid confusion. Every Sir Knight must wear full uniform in order to gain admission, and no deviation will be made except by the committee and for good cause. A program of the work will be issued shortly and mailed to each commandery in the jurisdiction; copies can be obtained by addressing the committee on invitation or from the Observer.

Fargo was the mecca the first of the month of the 33d degree Masons of the Northwest.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Khurum No. 112, entered one candidate last Friday.

Minnesota No. 224, initiated one candidate last Tuesday.

Hennepin No. 4, conferred the Fellow Craft degree last Wednesday.

Bro. Harry Murphy is somewhat improved but still confined to his home.

Khurum Lodge expects to confer the Fellow Craft degree next Friday night, Feb. 2.

Darius Commandery No. 7, will confer the Order of Red Cross, Thursday, Feb. 8.

Bro. Washburn of the well known firm of Glesner & Washburn, is convalescing from a severe sickness.

Darius Commandery No. 7 held a meeting for drill and rehearsal last Friday. Darius is preparing for the Malta work.

Ark Lodge will give one of its delightful parties next Friday, Feb. 2. If you have not attended any of the series you have missed much.

Zuhrah Temple will hold a ceremonial session Wednesday, Feb. 7, to be known as "Winona night," at which time a large class from Winona will be present.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., will meet with Mrs. Chauncey E. Foster, 2210 Colfax av. S., Thursday afternoon, Feb. 1; all members are requested to be present and bring 10 cents each.

A special communication of Ark Lodge No. 176 will be held on Monday evening, Jan. 29, for work in the F. C. degree. Several candidates will receive the degree. Brethren cordially invited.

Palestine Chapter No. 12, O. E. S., is continuing the good work done last year and promises to equal the record made last year. Several candidates were received last week; refreshments were served and a general good time enjoyed.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will hold a special communication Wednesday, 31st., to confer the Master Mason degree; the degree will be conferred in short form in the afternoon and in full form in the evening. Members are urged and visitors invited to be present.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 will hold a special communication on Tuesday evening, Jan. 30, for work in the F. C. degree. The Lodge will hold a reunion of its members in February. Further information in regard to the reunion will be given in a later issue of the Observer.

Mr. and Mrs. James Solberg have removed from Lake Preston, S. D. to Minneapolis. Mr. Solberg has long heen an active member of Meridan Lodge No. 94; the Lodge members and Stars gave Brother and sister Solberg a reception and expressed regrets at their removal.

Hennepin, Khurum, Minneapolis and Cataract Lodges, of Minneapolis, were honored by Grand Lodge in the selection of Bros. W. P. Roberts, David W. Knowlton, A. M. Myers and Geo. N. Houghton to fill important positions. Bro. E. E. Swan, J. G. W. was formerly S. D. of Minnesota No. 224.

Rev. Bro. J. B. Hingeley recently had the pleasure of Knighting his son, Myron, while a visitor at Redwood Commandery No. 15. Bro. Hingeley will have the further pleasure of conferring the Order of Malta upon his son next March when that Order will be conferred in full form by Zion and Darius Comanderies.

Zion Commandery No. 2, has twenty-two Red Cross Knights waiting additional Honors, and Commander Foote will endeavor to advance these and many others before the Malta meeting. The Order of the Temple was conferred on a large number last Friday, commencing at 3 p. m.; work was suspended and supper served at 6, after which work was resumed.

The mid-winnter reunion of the Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Minneapolis, will be held February 12, 13, 14 and 15, followed by work in the Shrine on the 16th.

Zuhrah Temple will be honored at this meeting with a visit from Imperial Potentate Collins, and many members from neighboring Temples are expected to take this occasion to pay their respects to the head of their Order.

At the annual meeting of the Acacia Club, an organization composed of Master Masons of the University of Minnesota, held at its club house, 124 State St. S. E., Minneapolis, the following officers were elected, for the ensuing year:

President, Dr. Charles A. Erdmann; Vice-President, E. M. Lambert; Secretary and Treasurer, Julius F. Frelin; Trustees for one year, Dr. Thomas G. Lee and Dr. Myron Reynolds; for two years, J. M. Tate and Walter Murfin; for three years, O. O. Whited, Sr., and Alexander Stewart, Jr.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery conferred the order of Red Cross on two candidates last Tuesday afternoon and the order of the Temple on two in the evening. Past Grand Commander A. M. Shuey was present as the representative of Grand Commander Sanborn and made the annual inspection; he praised the officers for efficient work, saying that the opening in full form was performerd in twenty-three minutes the record time being twenty minutes. Commander James G. Houghton was highly commended by visitors for the excellent work done by himself and officers. The Minnesota Quartette furnished the music and was highly applauded.

There is a brother in Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 who has recently been severely ill and suffering much pain. There is another brother in this lodge who is now living in the West, who has a good income from his labors and is prospering in his way. And this brother in the West has written to the suffering brother in Minneapolis as follows:— "I have read in the Observer of your serious illness. I know but little of your immediate circumstances, but perhaps something in line of enclosed recipe is needed. If so, use it." The enclosed recipe was a draft for twenty-five dollars. If the Saviour of mankind were on earth again, and the brother in the West stood before him, he would say to him as he said to his disciples of old, "Ye are the salt of the earth;" for such deed is Christianity as well as Masonry.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, has issued invitations for an open meeting for members and invited guests, which will be held in the Lodge room, second floor of Masonic Temple, Tuesday evening January 30.

The committee in charge, Joseph H. Johnson, Lou. N. McWhorter and Richard B. Hazard, has arranged the following program for entertainment of guests:

Music, ...Minnesota Quartet.
Address, Rev. Bro. James Montgomery.
Vocal Solo, Mrs. Alberta Fisher-Reuttell,
(Mrs. S. J. Bowler, Accompanist.)
"A Woman's View of Masonry," Mrs. J. H. Johnson.
Music, ...Minnesota Quartet,
"Some Beauties of Masonry", Bro. Henry R. Adams,
Music Minnesota Quartet

Members can secure additional invitations from the committee or from the Secretary of the Lodge.

A lodge in Winnepeg is called King Edward Lodge, and is to erect a Masonic home in that city.

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Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

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Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

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FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
St. Paul No. 3, (St. P.) Maa. Hall.
Minnehaha Chap. O. E. S. No. 37, Lake and Bloomington.
Zuhrah's Ladies, Mas. Tem., 2:30 p. m.
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THE WHITE LEATHER APRON.

(Dedicated to W. Hollis E. Cooley by C. E. White and John Price.)

Here's a toast to the Lambskin, more ancient by far
Than the fleece of pure gold, or the eagles of war;
'Tis an emblem of innocence, nobler to wear
Than the garter of England, or order as rare.

Let the King wear the purple and point to his crown,
Which may fall from his brow when his throne tumbles down;
But the badge of a Mason has much more to give
Than a kingdom so frail that it cannot long live.

Let the Field Marshal boast of the men he can guide,
Of the infantry column and heroes who ride;
But the White Leather Apron his standard outranks,
Since it waves from the East to the Death River's banks.

'Tis the shield of the orphan, the hostage of love;
'Tis the charter of Faith in the Grand Lodge above.
While the high and the low, in its whiteness arrayed,
Of one blood and one kin by the magic are made.

Kingdoms fall to the earth; cities crumble to dust;
Men are born but to die; swords are made but to rust;
But the White Leather Apron, through ages passed on,
Has survived with the Lodge of the Holy Saints John.

So a toast to the Lambskin, which levels, uplifts—
To the White Leather Apron, most priceless of gifts.
'Tis the badge of a Mason, more ancient by far
Than the fleece of pure gold or the eagles of war.

—Mas. Standard.

MINNEAPOLIS LODGE NO. 19.

Annual Report.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 has for many years printed the annual reports of the Master, Secretary and Treasurer in pamphlet form. As a record of the proceedings of the second largest lodge in the world, the report for the year 1905, just issued by Secretary Horace M. Myers, is valuable and interesting and we quote liberally for the benefit of our readers.

DEGREES CONFERRED: Initiated, 56, Passed, 59, Raised, 57, Total 172.

MEMBERSHIP: Members last report, 1009, Raised, 57, affiliated, 38, restored, 3, total, 1107.

Loss by death, 12, withdrawn, 12, total, 24, present membership, 1083.

Raised since organization, 1125, affiliated, 755, restored, 55, total, 1930. Loss by death, 180, by demit, 433, stricken from the roll, 234, total, 847.

COMMUNICATIONS held during the year: Stated, 24, special, 32, occasional 7, total 63.



GEORGE E. YOUNG,
Past Master of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19.

FINANCIAL: Cash on hand last report $1,244.48, Receipts from dues $3,006.50, fees, $2,760.00, sundries, $208.90; disbursements, $5,283.66, leaving cash on hand $1,936.22.

Assets: unpaid dues, $1,938.75, Masonic Temple stock, par value, $32,350.00, loans, $700.00, one third interest in furniture, $2,000.00, one third interest in pipe organ, $500.00, all other personal property, $700.00, cash

on hand, $1,936.22, total, $40,124.97.

NECROLOGIC: J. N. Berg, died Jan. 9, 1905; Chas H. Lord, died Jan. 23, 1905; Norman I. Colburn, died March 4, 1905; Martin C. Johnson, died March 6, 1905; Lorenzo D. Day, died March 24, 1905; C. A. Horn, died May 13, 1905; Edward Dowers, died Sept. 1, 1905; A. M. Higgins, died Oct. 28, 1905; A. H. Laursen, died Nov. 11, 1905; George S. Greanleaf, died Nov. 14, 1905; F. H. Evans, died Nov, 19, 1905; F. H. Barnard, died Oct. 17, 1905.

Six public funerals were held, four at the Lodge room, one at a church and one at a residence; in each case a brief ceremony was held at the grave.

Disbursements for relief, $1,151.16, for funeral expenses, $335.50.

EXTRACTS FROM REPORT OF Geo. E. Young, W. M.

In the discharge of the great trust which you placed in my hands one year ago, I will only say that I have with good intentions contributed toward the welfare of the lodge and the administration of its laws and regulations, the best efforts of which a very fallible judgment was capable.

When first installed as your Master, I felt the burden of great responsibilities rested upon me, and in meeting and overcoming them, to the Past Masters of Minneapolis Lodge, to a very great degree, I am indebted. By their splendid co-operation, the unanimity with which they stood back of me, their courteous treatment and their magnanimous spirit, I have been able to go forward in the performance of my duties, while the mountains of imaginary opposition melted away as the snow before the rays of the noonday sun. Minneapolis Lodge is to be congratulated for having Past Masters who do not desert the Lodge as soon as their term of office is over. Their conduct in this regard is good evidence that they do not fill the chair alone for the glory therein conferred.

Those who stand immediately next to the Master, are the officers, elective and appointive, including the Fellow Crafts, and without whose efficiency, punctual attendance, and oneness of thought toward a common end, no Master can hope to succeed. Without selecting any particular one for special mention, permit me to say that every office below the chair has been faithfully and efficiently filled during the year. The punctual attendance of officers has been to a marked degree, better than in former years. To these faithful ones is due a very large portion of the splendid success which our Lodge has enjoyed the past year.

No one thing has contributed more largely to the success of the Lodge and the helpfulness of its officers, during the past year, than the attendance of its members at regular and special meetings, as well as at the funerals. It is especially gratifying that the attendance at funerals has been so large. This, no doubt is the result of holding the service at the Lodge Room, where it is convenient for the Brethren downtown to leave their business long enough to attend the services. It has been my conviction that if the Lodge is opened promptly at the hour set in the by-laws, and the business or work executed with dispatch though without undue haste, and an early adjournment had, members will not become weary, but will remain after adjournment for a short profitable visit one with another. This course I have endeavored to pursue, and the results, in increased attendance, I believe, have warranted the action.

Your Master has visited the sick many times during the year, but it was impossible to do justice to the many demands for this kind of work. The other officers and members have gladly rendered services of a like nature, at every opportunity.

During the year a large number of visitors from this and other jurisdictions have been welcomed to our Lodge.

We have endeavored to emphasize the social and moral side of Masonry, and of our success in that direction you are the sole judges. It has also been our constant aim to "rule and govern with equal regularity." That we have, perhaps many times, erred, no one will deny, but our every act has been fraught with the desire to promote the best interests of the Lodge.

I think you will all agree with me, when I say that many entertain, at best, but a very general and definite idea of the extent, antiquity, magnitude and moral teachings of our fraternity, and that this naturally leads to indifference. Masonry, like every other science, whether moral or physical, to be rightly estimated, must be understood in all its relations and conditions. The intelligent Mason values it in the exact ratio that he has investigated its history and studied its philosophy; but having studied and learned full well all its teachings and principles, we will not only fail to receive any substantial benefits therefrom, but will be a positive injury to the Order, a "drone in the hive of nature, a useless member of society and unworthy of our protection as Masons," if we do not live and put into practice these noble virtues and principles promulgated by Masonry; for we may know today and forget tomorrow; but if we put into practice and live these virtues, they become a part of us, a part of our own being and we may then be said to be living examples of Masonry. I believe the highest motive of every Mason should be to know and practice universal Masonry.

I must now as your Master bid you farewell, but I am constrained as a closing thought to pay some little tribute, already expressed, to this great universal Masonry, for "Masonry is indeed a universal institution. History does not furnish its parallel. It exists where Christianity has not gone; and its claim will be respected even where the superior claims of religion would fail. It is never obscured by the darkness of night. The eye of day is always upon it. Its footprints are to be traced in the most distant regions and in the remotest ages of the earth.

Among all civilized people and in all Christianized lands, its existence is recognized.

It came to our shores at an auspicious period; and it was here rocked in the Cradle of Liberty by a Washington, a Frauklin, a Hancock and a Warren.

Unaffected by the tempest of war, the storms of persecution, or the denunciation of fanaticism, it still stands proudly erect in the sunshine and clear light of heaven, with not a marble fractured, not a pillar fallen.

It still stands like some patriarchial monarch of the forest, with its vigorous roots rivited to the soil, and its broad limbs spread in bold outline against the sky; and in generations yet to come, as in ages past, the sunlight of honor and renown will delight to linger and play amid its venerable branches.

And if ever, in the Providence of God, lashed by the storm and riven by the lightning, it shall totter to its fall, around its trunk will the ivy of filial love and affection, that has so long clasped it, still cling, and mantle with greenness and verdure its ruin and decay."

THE EASTERN STAR.

Associations of Matrons and Past Matrons are becoming numerous and popular.

Miriam Chapter, O. E. S. Hutchinson, places its members on entertainment committee alphabetically; the "C's" now doing duty.

. Elizabeth Thomas, Grand Worthy Matron, is enjoying a needed rest from arduous duties but expects to resume Chapter visitations soon.

Palestine Chapter, O. E. S. will have a card party Saturday afternoon, Feb. 10, 6th floor Masonic Temple; all members of the Order are invited.

The officers of Mistletoe Chapter No. 96, O. E. S., St. Paul, were installed Jan. 15, new petitions were received and much work is iu prospect.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. will give a dancing and card party at Commandery Hall, 6th. floor Masonic Temple, Monday night, Feb. 12; all members of the Order invited. Admission 25 cents each.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. will give a series of socials this year instead of the thimble bees of former years. Mrs. Mary Walker has been appointed chairman of the committee in charge of these socials which will he held at the residences of the members; a variety of entertainments will he provided, refreshments served and a general good time will be had. Mrs. Lucy M. Ray, Cor.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 is enjoying a most successful series of thimble bees and card parties. Mrs. Josephine Lucker 111 West Grant St. entertained at cards last Wed. evening with a splendid attendance and a good time financially and socially. Mrs. Sarah Archibald is chairman of the card club committee and her able leadership bespeaks success.

Mrs. Marie Altschwager 3031 Lyndale Ave. So. will entertain the thimble bee for No. 9, next Wednesday afternoon. Many members are reported on the sick list but all seem to be improving at present.—Cor.

Regular convocation of Mistletoe Court No. 1, O. of A., Thursday, 7:30 p. m.; officers are requested to assemble at 2:30 for drill; supper will be served at 6:30; members and candidates are urged to be present. At the last session the following committee was appointed on by-laws: H. W. Phillips, Chm., Elizabeth Thomas, Flora A. Pattee, W. C. Wilson, Alice A. Munson and H. A. Maas.

REVIEW OF PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND BODIES.

Grand Lodge of Michigan. Sixty-first annual, Detroit, May 23-24. Address of welcome by Mayor Codd, response by Grand Master. The date for holding the annual having been changed from January to May, Grand Master Fletcher E. Turrell had four additional months to his term. Grand Master said: "I bring to you the report of perhaps the busiest Masonic year Michigan has ever known." Seventeen dispensations were granted to confer degrees within the time provided by law; the sum of $145.00 was received for dispensations granted. Wonder to what extent the fee influences the granting of dispensations. Twenty-one Temples, Halls and lodge rooms were dedicated. Seven corner stones were laid. On the use of books in conferring degrees Grand Master said: "I believe the time has come in this Grand Jurisdiction when the use of the Monitor in the work should be prohibited. If a Master cannot or will not commit the charge he is not fit to be a Master". Jurisprudence committee agreed with Grand Master and prohibited the use of books.

Grand Lecturer Frank T. Lodge, after discussing the pillars recommends "that our Ritual he so amended as to make the height of the pillars eighteen cubits, with chapiters of five cubits each, making twenty-three cubits in the whole."

Dec. 1, 1904, the Masonic Home had as inmates 44 males and 8 females; the average age of the males being 71 years, of the females, 76 years. The petition of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico for recognition was denied. Grand Treasurer reported a balance of $7,985.21 at close of the session. Number of Lodges, Jan. 1, 1905, 396; Membership, Jan. 1, 1905, 51,871, net gain, 2,506. John Rowson, Grand Master, Lou B. Winsor, Grand Secretary and Com. on Cor.

The New Age for February publishes "Scattered Jewels," a short poem by U. G. Herrick the well known Minneapolis letter carrier.

Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, One hundred and sixteenth annual, Concord, May 17. The Grand Master's address is short and confined to business matters.

The Jurisprudence Committee recommend that the rules and regulations be so amended as to establish a five-year limit to jurisdiction over rejected material. Upon the question of assessments and their application to life members, the committee said: "It is our opinion that the Lodge has authority to make an assessment upon all its members, both those who are within and without this classification of 'life membership' alike, and it is their duty to pay the same."

Number of Lodges, 79, all of which were represented in Grand Lodge, membership, 9,565. Ira A. Chase, Grand Master, Frank D. Woodbury, Grand Secretary.

"We recognize in the **Observer** a faithful and intelligent exponent of Masonic events in this and other Grand Jurisdictions and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity". (Report of Committee on Jurisprudence, Grand Lodge of Minn., Jan. 1905.)

L. C. Barret, residing at Glenburn, N. D. has recently visited Ashlar Lodge No. 69, at Granville; his first attendance in 26 years. He claims to have been made at Owatonna, Minn., 27 years ago. No comments.

The annual conclave, Grand Commandery, K. T. North Dakota, was held at Fargo, last week.

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The Masons of little Falls are fitting new lodge rooms.

The Scottish Rite Bodies at Winona held a reunion last week.

El Zagal Temple, Fargo, N. D. initiated a class of 40 last week.

York Lodge No. 197, N. Y. is called "the Lodge of the White Rose."

Candidates for the Masonic Home: Little Falls, Austin, Staples, Buffalo.

Elmer A. Kling, last year's Grand Orator, was banqueted by Little Falls Masons Jan. 23.

Grand Master Thomas Morris was given a reception by his home Lodge, Crookston No. 141, last Friday.

Tyrian Lodge No. 86, Mazeppa, recently initiated a large class in which three brothers were candidates.

Cumberland lodge, Barron, Wis. has purchased the old high school building and will remodel it for lodge purposes.

The Masonic Bodies at Lake City have leased rooms in the Lyon block which are being remodeled; they will be up to date and will be heated with hot water and lighted by electricity.

Yelduz Temple at Aberdeen, S. D., at its recent ceremonial meeting initiated a class of 25; there was an attendance of 200.

A new Commandery, K. T. was instituted at Pukwana, S. D. Jan. 9.

The following notice appeared in the Journal at Fergus Falls, Minn. Jan. 27:

Shriners Of Fergus Falls.

Listen to the chime of the cow bell. Be on hand at G. N. depot Monday, Jan. 29, at 4 p. m., and get your passes to go to Fargo, as J. J. Hill needs the money to do ditch work with in North Dakota.

C. W. Kaddatz, Potentate.

George E. Young, whose portrait appears on the first page of the Observer, has recently entered the ranks of that body of Past Masters to whose "splendid co-operation" he attributes much of the success he attained as Master of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, during the year 1905. How great a debt this Lodge owes to that body is little known to, and less understood by the general membership. In a body having more than one thousand members, comparatively few of whom are regular attendants, there must necessarily be a council of administration by which the policy of the body can be determined and upon whom the chief executive can rely for counsel and co-operation, and who can be more safely relied upon than that splendid body of men who, as individuals have guided the destinies of this great Lodge in the past.

Brother Young, by his uniform courtesy and the dignity with which he has presided over and conducted all affairs of the lodge, added greatly to its prestige; being a perfect ritualist it has at all times been a delight to witness his work, and his impressiveness ever created a deep and lasting effect upon the candidates.

Brother Young was born in Illinois, June 9, 1864, raised on a farm at Madelia in southern Minnesota, from whence he came to Minneapolis in 1884; he was educated at Hamline University and was for a time engaged in school work. Entering the Law department af the State University, he graduated from that institution in June, 1891, and immediately entered upon the practice of law in which occupation he has continued and is now an active member of the Bar with offices in Temple Court.

Brother Young was initiated, passed and raised in Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 Nov. 4, 9, 23, respectively, in 1898; served as Junior Steward in 1900, Junior Deacon, 1901, Senior Deacon, 1902, Junior Warden, 1903, Senior Warden, 1904 and Worshipful Master in 1905. He received the Capitular degrees in St. Johns R. A. Chapter No. 9 in March, 1899, and the Orders of Knighthood in Zion Commandery No. 2, and is now serving this body as Sword Bearer. Elsewhere we print extracts from his annual address which show that he is an ardent student of Masonry and a Christian gentleman as well.

The necesity for the **Scottish Rite** degrees, with their philosphy, moral and intellectual, and their political and religious truths, is perhaps greater today than at any time in the past. The same war exists against error, bigotry, intolerance and all villanies and abuses that have been flagrant in the world from the beginning of time. It is the strenuous enemy of nihilism, socialism, communism and anarchism, and those who seek to breed revolt against law and order in all lands will find in it the implacable foe. With its grand motto, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity, it is now a powerful factor for good in all lands, and it is destined to become more potential as the ages roll on. The battle in behalf of the great principles of human fredom, free government, free thought, free speech and free conscience is still being waged, and the contest in behalf of the moral excellencies of Masonry, justice, honesty, temperance, charity and forgiveness of injuries has not ended. Men today need to be influenced and restrained in their actions toward each other to an extent never heretofore surpassed, if equaled.—J. D. Richardson.

Thus brotherly love, with its wisdom to contrive and its strength to support, requires the beauty of a comprehensive charity to adorn it. In lovely gentleness of the soul, like in the beauty of the olive tree, men have pleasure and profit. "Ideas of beauty, then," says Ruskin, "be it remembered, are the subject of moral, but not of intellectual perception." And beauty is the third column in the stately edifice. So we read in The Book that, "A builder stretched out his rule; he marked it out with a line; he fitted it with plumbs, and he marked it out with the compass and shaped it after the figure of a fan, according to the beauty of a man." No wonder Socrates petitioned: "I pray thee, O God, that I may be beautiful within." Beauty emanating from sources deep-

er than the eye is the most enduring. It rests upon necessary foundations. It lies below the surface. It is not under the spell of the moment. It pulses with words of truth; thrills with noble action; and has its origin in character. In this trinity of wisdom to contrive, strength to support, and beauty to adorn there is a renowned perfection of brotherhood, but full of wisdom, marvelous in strength, perfect in beauty, its temple is in the human heart, from which proceed the issues of life.—Kuhns in Voice Review.

NECROLOGIC.

Fred Anderson of Crookston Lodge No. 141, was killed by a snow slide in Idaho recently; his body was buried by his brethren at Crookston.

Benson Daniel Babcock, Past Grand Commander, "during recent years the most prominent, the most widely known and the best beloved of all Masons of Ohio", died at Cleveland, Jan. 10.

G. W. Carpenter, M. D., an old and well known resident and practicioner, died at his residence, 2747 Lyndale av. S., Saturday, Jan. 27; funeral services were conducted by Ark Lodge, of which he was a member, Sunday, Jan. 28; the remains were taken to Forestville, N. Y. for interment. Brother Carpenter was born March 15, 1820, in Herkimer County, New York, and had been in active practice for more than fifty years and to within the last six months.

John Andrew Bensen, an old resident of St. Cloud, was buried by his brethren of North Star Lodge, Jan. 30.

WILLIAM H. JACOBY died at Los Angeles, California, January 31, 1906. Mr. Jacoby was an old resident of Minneaplis, and well known to business men as the owner of a corner on Nicollet avenue and Third street.

Brother Jacoby was a member of Hennepin Lodge No. 4, also of St. Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., Zion Commandery No. 2, K. T., and the Scottish Rite Bodies.

JOHN SCHAEFER, life member of Khurum Lodge No. 112, died at his residence in Minneapolis, January 31, 1906; funeral services were conducted by his lodge, last Saturday.

I. L. Drake, a member of Cataract No. 2, who was murdered in North Dakota recently, was buried by that Lodge Jan. 29.

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Serving his Master and his God;
Striving by acts of charity and love,
To enter the celestial lodge above;
Knowing that the stone among the rubbish cast,
Shall crown the Maker's work at last.
—Ex.

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Zuhrahs Ladies wil give a grand Ball on the 22nd.

Zion Commandery No. 2, will confer the Order of the Temple Friday, 9th.

Ark Lodge will give another of its enjoyable dancing parties, Friday, 16th.

Zion Commandery No. 2, conferred the Order of the Red Cross last Friday.

Darius Commandery No. 7, will confer the Order of Red Cross, Thursday, Feb. 8.

St. Johns Chapter No. 9, will confer the Past and Most Excellent degrees Tuesday, 6th.

C. M. Stanton of Minnesota Lodge 224 is seriously ill, with little prospect of recovery.

Ark Lodge will confer the Master Mason degree Wednesday night, 14th.; all Master Masons invited.

Special meetings of all Scottish Rite Bodies will be held Thursday night, 8th., for balloting on petitions.

Zuhrah Temple will hold a ceremonial session Wednesday, Feb. 7, to be known as "Winona night," at which time a large class from Winona will be present.

The mid-winnter reunion of the Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Minneapolis, will be held February 12, 13, 14 and 15, followed by work in the Shrine on the 16th.

Charles E. Ovenshire, Grand Captain General, will make official inspection of Paladin Commandery No. 21, St. Paul, tonight and at his invitation Zion No. 2, will furnish an escort.

Three Entered Apprentices were advanced to the labors of a Fellow Craft at Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, Tuesday evening Jan. 30. Tuesday evening Feb. 6, the Lodge will confer the E. A. degree.

Fre L. Nesbit, member of Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery Shrine and Eastern Star at Omaha, Nebraska, has recently removed to Minneaplis and is residing at 1700 Laurel av. Mrs. Nesbit also is a member of the O. E. S.

Benjamin L. Perry a life member of Khurum No. 112, secretary of the Masonic Board of Relief, is critically ill at his home in Minneapolis.

Brother Perry died Thursday afternoon.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, will confer the Master Mason degree Wednesday night, 7th.; after work music and light refreshments will be served; members are urged and visitors cordially invited to be present.

The Lodge wil be opened at 7:30 sharp.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, raised six last Wednesday; work was begun at 3:30; Maas served dinner to 150 at 6:30 and labor was resumed at 7:30. The work was in charge of the new ofiicers and was up to standard. The Masonic Quartet contributed largely to the interest; the attendance was two hundred and fifty, many out of town visitors being present.

Things are going to be doing at Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 at the time of the reunion of its members on Feb. 27. According to the circular letter issued by the committee of arrangements, consisting of Bros. W. W. Hughes, A. A. Baker and C. M. Vollender, "the Brethren assembled will be provided with an entertainment,—historical, musical, oratorical, prandial, emblematical and Masonical." And still there will be "more to follow," and the brethren might as well say to their families on that evening that they will see them in the morning.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, its officers and especially the committee consisting of J. H. Johnson, Lou N. McWhorter and R. B. Hazard who had charge of the arrangements, are to be congratulated upon the success which attended the open meeting given last Tuesday evening. Several days before the event it was evident that the attendance promised to be altogether too great for the accommodations afforded by the lodge room on the second floor and the committee secured the Commandery Hall on the sixth floor of the Temple; this room was none too large for the audience which numbered a little more than four hundred. The reception committee consisted of Worshipful Master C. E. Foster and Past Masters Adams, Getty, Johnson, Gould and Hyde and their wives. The program as published in the Observer last week was fully carried out. The addresses of Rev. Bro. Montgomery and Mrs. J. H. Johnson were exceedingly good and well received. The ritualistic lecture by Past Grand Master Adams, which was illustrated with stereopticon views by Brother Sindell was much enjoyed. The musical program rendered by the Minnesota Quartet and by Mrs. Alberta Fisher-Reuttell added greatly to the entertainment. One of the pleasing features of the evening came as a surprise to Past Master C. W. G. Hyde when he was called out by W. M. Foster, who on behalf of the Lodge presented him with a beautiful Past Master's jewel. Bro. Hyde was equal to the occasion and responded in a happy manner. Refreshments were served in the armory by Bro. Henry F. Wiebe, Chef of the Minnekahda Club, with Bro. Ed. Hodges and a corps of able assistants in charge of the tables. The hospitality of Minnesota Lodge on this occasion, will long be remembered.

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roseate hue, and the new Council apparently was lax in its fidelity to the Grand Council, for in the Proceedings of 1856, we find the following:

"Resolved, That the Grand Master be empowered to inquire into the matter of Minnesota Council No. 4, (5) and to demand of its presiding officer, a statement of its affairs that a return be immediately made to this Grand Council, or its Warrant and properties be surrendered until the next Annual Assembly of this body; and it is further,

Resolved, that the M. P. Grand Master have full power to act in the premises as to him shall seem meet and proper." No attention apparently was paid by the delinquent Council to the letters sent by the Grand Master, and at the session of the Grand Council June 3rd, 1857, a resolution was adopted, "That Minnesota Council No. 5, be allowed sixty days to make their returns and pay dues."

At the session of 1858, it was still the same old story, Minnesota Council was still recalcitrant, but the following from the address of the Grand Master had a more hopeful tone; "Companion A. T. C. Pierson, who was appointed T. I. M. of the said Council is now in the city, and will probably be present at this Assembly; and I sincerely trust he will furnish this body with a true and full statement of the affairs of the said Council." Companion Pierson however apparently did not attend the Grand Council, and the report of a committee appointed to review the subject, brings to light the fact that Minnesota Council not alone had made no returns nor paid their dues, but had not paid the fee for its Warrant, or Charter, and the Council was given until August 1st, to purge itself. No attention having been paid to the demand the Warrant was declared forfeited, August 14th, 1858, and Minnesota Council No. 5, disappeared from the roll of the Grand Council of the state of New York.

This is the story of Minnesota Council, R. & S. M. so far as can be gleaned from the records of the Grand Council of the state of New York; possibly some Companion of Minnesota, can add something of interest as to the finale of this chapter of early Masonry in Minnesota.

NECROLOGIC.

Theron P. Healey, member of Ark Lodge No. 176, Ark Chapter No. 53, Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, and Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine, a well known business man, died suddenly at his home in Minneapolis, Tuesday Feb. 6th. Burial took place Friday afternoon.

Daniel Getchel, a member of Ark Lodge No. 176, died in Minneapolis, February 1.

Abel Anderson, who died Jan. 31st, in Texas, was buried on Tuesday, Feb. 6th. by Montgomery Lodge, No. 258, A. F. & A. M., St. Paul.

After a short service at the family residence, 706 Jessamine St., St. Paul, the funeral party, composed of members of Montgomery Lodge, Damascus Commandery, Osman Temple, Mystic Shrine and members of other organizations to which Bro. Anderson belonged, marched in a body, followed by carriages containing the family and friends of the deceased, to St. Sigfrid's Church, where the church service was conducted by Rev. Bro. Almfeldt, chaplain of the Lodge.

At the grave the service was conducted by the Lodge, of which Bro. Anderson was a charter member. The ceremonies were beautiful and impressive. They were in charge of Past Master A. M. Bergstrom, the present Master, W. W. Sleight, being one of the pall-bearers. The interment was at Forest Cemetery.

Bro. Anderson was very well known, of sterling character, and beloved by all who knew him. We all pay tribute to him, for being a true man, and a true Mason, and we cherish his memory. He left a widow, and two children, who have our deepest sympathy in their affliction.—D. E. E.

Wiliam H. Jacoby, born May 24, 1841, died January 31, 1906. Brother Jacoby died at Los Angeles, Cal.; his body was brought to Minneapolis and buried by Zion Commandery, Tuesday, Feb. 6; the K. T. and religious services being held in the Commandery room at Masonic Temple; religious services were conducted by Rev. Sir Knight Montgomery.

Brother Jacoby was a well known business man and an old resident of Minneapolis.

He was a member of Hennepin Lodge No. 4, St. Johns Chapter No. 9, a Royal and Select Master, member of Zion Commandery No. 2, Minneapolis Consistory, Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. and Zuhrah Temple Mystic Shrine.

..Benjamin L. Perry was born in Cabot, Vermont, April 18, 1835, died at his residence, 1614 Laurel av., Minneapolis, February 1, 1906; funeral services were held at the house Sunday, 4th, and the body placed in the vault at the cemetery on Monday; burial will take place in the early spring.

Brother Perry remained at home, caring for his aged mother until his marriage; he came from a rugged New England family which was prominent in his native state; he came to Minneapolis about the year 1870 and for some years conducted a fuel business with office in the Kasota Block. His first wife having died, he was united in marriage with an acquaintance of his youth last September. His widow, and a son by his first marriage, survive.

In his business relations, Bro. Perry was held in high esteem.

Brother Perry joined Khurum Lodge by demit May 7, 1875; and has been the representative of that Lodge on the board of the Masonic Relief association for many years. He was elected Treasurer of the Relief association Dec. 27, 1884, and served continuously until death; he has been acting secertary of that body since Dec. 8, 1900, and practically conducted all the affairs of the association. His Lodge, the Relief Association and many friends sent beautiful flowers as an appreciation of respect and regard.

Mrs. M. H. Mitchell, a sister of Bro. Perry's first wife, has resided in the family for more than twenty years and attests the worth and high character of the deceased. The family desires through the Observer to return thanks to friends for numerous acts of kindness.

Office of Secretary Masonic Board of Relief, Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 8, 1906.

Our Brother, B. L. Perry, who served this Board as its treasurer for two decades of years, and labored during this long period in the interest of humanity and Masonic relief, having been called by the Supreme Architect of the Universe from earthly labors to the Lodge above, it is the sense of this Board that we express our appreciation of the labors of Brother Perry and our regard for him as a Brother and fellow laborer.

Therefore be it Resolved: That we hold the labors of Brother B. L. Perry, late Treasurer of our body, in vivid remembrance and as an example for us in our future labors; that we shall hold him personally in remembrance through life for his purity of purpose and activity in effort, and that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement.

H. S. Goff,
George Vetter,
Committee.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The Chapter of O. E. S. at Two Harbors, Minn., gives a social every "fifth Monday".

Martha Chapter, 134, Anoka, initiated six, Feb. 6th.

The Stars at Mazeppa will ask a dispensation to organize.

The Stars at Blue Earth gave a reception to Masons Jan. 31.

The Right Worshipful Master, Miss Ward, says that co-Masonry is about to invade the U. S.

Riverside Chapter, O. E. S., at Amery, Wis., will give a play entitled "The Spinsters Return", Feb. 14.

Grand Lodge of Kansas laid the corner stone of the Eastern Star Chapel of the Masonic Home at Wichita, Jan. 23.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. will give a dancing and card party at Commandery Hall, 6th. floor Masonic Temple, Monday night, Feb. 12; all members of the Order invited. Admission 25 cents each.

"After a sewing session came a session at cards, and then a few rounds for the good of the order"; is the way a correspondent describes an Eastern Star meeting at Ellendale, N. D. Wonder if the ladies do put on the gloves.

Lorraine Social Club will hold its annual election of officers at the home of Mrs. George Brackett, 3528 Chicago avenue, Tuesday afternoon, 13th.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, O. E. S., held a very pleasant and successful meeting Monday evening, 5th.; several petitions were received and several balloted upon. Elizabeth Thomas, Worthy Grand Matron, was present and escorted to the East. There were several visitors present, among them being Abbie E. Reed, Worthy Matron of Minneapolis Chapter No. 9; Sister Reed was escorted to the East and addressed the Chapter in a few pleasing remarks. Lorraine is always pleased to welcome visitors from sister Chapters.—Mary Tuttle, Cor.

The next regular communication of Minneapolis Chapter, No. 9, O. E. S. will be held Monday evening, Feb. 12, After the usual routine of business an interesting program will be rendered. All members of the order are most cordially invited to be present and will be made welcome. On Wednesday evening Feb. 14, Mrs. Sarah Archibald, 2701 Stevens Ave., will entertain the Charity Card Club; and on Wednesday afternoon Feb. 21st, will occur the next thimble bee with Mrs. Gus. Allen, 814, 16th Ave. North. There are several other delightful affairs "on the way" which the members cannot afford to miss, the details of which will be announced later. Till then just keep watch of the Observer columns for therein you will find the latest O. E. S. news and of No. 9 especially.—Cor.

The Paul Jones Club of Portsmouth, N. H., has issued the following notice: To the Grand Masters of the Grand Masonic Lodges in the Several States of the United States, and Colonial Possessions":

The late Admiral Paul Jones was a Mason for twenty-two years. He was made in Scotland in 1770; later joined the Masonic lodge of Nine Sisters in Paris, over which Benjamin Franklin was master, and was a member of that lodge when he died in 1792.

This Masonic lodge ordered a bronze bust by Houdon of him in 1780, which was used in the recent identification of his body in Paris.

The Paul Jones Club has requested the Grand Masonic Lodge of New Hampshire to perform the funeral services over the remains of Brother Paul Jones at Annapolis on April 24th, 1906, and do hereby request the M. W. Grand Masonic Masters in the several states and colonial possessions to direct suitable ceremonies to be held to the memory of Brother Paul Jones in every Masonic lodge room in their jurisdiction on April 24, 1906.

The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, has requested President Roosevelt to allow that grand lodge to perform the Masonic burial services over the remains of Admiral Jones, and it is expected that the permission will be granted.

The Masonic Board of Relief Association of Minneapolis held its annual meeting in the Library rooms, Thursday afternoon, Feb. 8; officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Walter H. Gould, President; W. M. Walker, Vice President; W. C. Allen, Secretary; Stewart Gamble, Treasurer. The association was organized April 25, 1872 and is composed of representatives from the following lodges: Cataract No. 2, Hennepin No. 4, Minneapolis No. 19, Khurum No. 112, Plymouth No. 160, Minnehaha No. 165, Arcana No. 187 and Minnesota No. 224. The board will meet monthly at the Masonic Library and a report of its proceedings will be rendered to the several lodges.

"We recognize in the Observer a faithful and intelligent exponent of Masonic events in this and other Grand Jurisdictions and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity". (Report of Committee on Jurisprudence, Grand Lodge of Minn., Jan. 1905.)

It is a curious fact, but never the less true that the average man pays but little attention to the quality of his fire insurance, either as to the financial standing of the company in which he may insure, or as to its methods in loss adjustments. The insurers of large properties are becoming careful in respect to the character of the agent and companies and are fast treating the matter of fire insurance protection as of so much importance that expert agents are selected to prepare their contracts and select the companies.

They are becoming as careful in this respect, as in their selection of a lawyer to whom they refer their legal matters.

To the average man his fire insurance often stands between him and utter ruin, when his property is destroyed by fire, and yet so heedless is he of this most important fact that he places his insurance with an agent without proper discrimination; one who has no professional standing but is simply known by the property owner as being a "good fellow". Many thousands of dollars is lost every year through the failure of irresponsible companies and yet the lesson is not heeded by but few men. If one tenth the care were given by property owners in attention to the proper placing of their fire insurance that is given to ordinary business matters, a great deal of anxiety and occasional ruin would be avoided, when their property goes up in smoke. By placing insurance with Otto E. Greeley, 208 The Phoenix, the insured gets reliable insurance and prompt and equitable adjustment in case of loss.



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The Masons of Austin will dance Feb. 26.

Masons of Virginia, Minn., have their new hall nearly completed.

The Masons at Mapleton, Iowa, will erect a $40,000 temple this year.

The Fairmont Masons gave their annual Hayseed dance last Monday.

The new Lodge at Lake Wilson was constituted and officers installed Jan. 31.

Palestine Lodge, Duluth, will have its annual banquet Feb. 21; the ladies will be invited for the first time.

Appleton Lodge No. 137, has purchased property for its use as a lodge home.

Scottish Rite Masons, Valley of Fargo, N. D., will hold a reunion Feb. 13, 14, 15.

Star in the East Lodge No. 33, Owatonna, recently gave a stag social to 100 members.

Faribault Lodge No. 9, proposes to celebrate its semi-centennial anniversary some time this year.

The annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta has been postponed from Feb. 14 to 22d,. at Medicine Hat.

Grand Chapter, R. A. M., Wisconsin, will meet in annual convocation at Milwaukee, Feb. 20.

Ramsey Lodge U. D. has become honored by becoming "Tusler" Lodge; it is No. 263 on the roster.

A League of Masonic Clubs has been formed in New York; members are entitled to privileges in all the clubs.

Supreme Potentate Henry A. Collins of Toronto, Canada, will visit Aad Temple, Duluth, Wednesday night, 14th.

The Scottish Rite Bodies of Minneapolis will entertain visiting brethren atending the national G. A. R. encampment in August.

A dispensation has been issued for a Masonic Lodge at Warroad, Minn.; a good hall well supplied with up-to-date furniture is ready for occupancy.

The reception recently given to Grand Master Morris by his Lodge, Crookston No. 141, was "the largest social event ever given in Crookston and signally successful in every particular".

Thomas Smith Webb, Father of the "American Rite," was born in Boston, Mass., Oct. 13, 1771, died in Cleveland, Ohio, July 6, 1819, buried there, the body removed and buried at Providence, R. I., Nov. 8, 1819. Grand Lodge of R. I. erected a marble shaft to his memory.

The forty-eighth annual of the Grand Chapter of Canada was held at Toronto, Jan. 24,; the attempt to restore the degree of Past Master failed; the membership growth was 1,435, a net gain of 1,084; total membership in 124 Chapters, 10,075. Grand Chapter proposes to celebrate its semi-centennial in 1908.

The officers of Triune Lodge No. 190, Merriam Park, elected and installed Dec. 19, are: Geo. H. Stark, W. M.; M. McKay, S. W.; A. L. Williams, J. W.; B. A. Phillips, Treas.; H. O. Williams, Sec.; E. D. Parker, Chaplain; W. F. Minty, S. D.; H. Donnelly, J. D.; J. H. Ludwig, Tyler.

J. Frank Locke, whose article "What Ancient, Free and Accepted Masonry means to me", was published in the Observer Jan. 15, has just issued a volume of sermons, addresses and poetry; the book conslsts of 200 pages and contains in addition to the above, G. A. R. and Masonic addresses; the author resides at Long Prairie, Minn.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas will commemorate the Fiftieth Anniversary of its organization with public ceremonies at eight o'clock, in the evening of Thursday, February twenty-second, nineteen hundred and six, at the Auditorium, Topeka.

The Grand Commandery, K. T., North Dakota, at the sixteenth annual conclave just closed, elected the following: Harry S. Oliver, G. C.; Herman Winterer, D. G. C.; Herbert E. White, Gen.; DeWitt C. Moore, C. G. Andrew J. Stade, S. W.; William Spriggs, J. W.; F. D. Hall, Prelate; A. C. Mather, G. Treas.; Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Grand Recorder.

Tusler Lodge No. 263, formerly Ramsey, U. D., was legally constitnted February 2, at St. Anthony Park, and its officers duly installed by Past Grand Master Henry M. Tusler, assisted by Senior Grand Warden Roberts, Grand Secretary Montgomery and others. Ex-Attorney Gen. Childs and others addressed the lodge. The members and their families were entertained with vocal and instrumental music. The officers installed are: Fred Joerms, W. M.; Geo. Rouse, S. W.; Oscar Turner, J. W.; Carl Fiesler, Sec.; D. W. Halsted, Treas.; Green, S. D.; Schook, J. D.; Chas. Joerms, S. S.; M. Held, J. S.; A. N. Curtis, Chap.; C. T. Pohling, Tyler.

Major Lyman Ornsbey, of Mariah, N. Y., visiting at Mapleton, Minn., has another Morgan story; he has heard that Morgan was taken west to the Mississippi river, a captive, and at that point his captors were taken prisoners by the Indians and killed but that Morgan was released, honored by the savages, many of whom he made Masons; as a proof of this Major Ornsbey has seen a number of Indians who were well up in Masonry. Wonder if it is possible that Horace and Willie have got Morgan concealed somewhere about the Temple and intend to spring him upon the I. P. when he arrives next week?

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ZUHRAH TEMPLE.

The annual report of Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Minneapolis, Minn., for 1905, has just been isued. It contains the address of the Potentate, Otto R. Fehlhaber, and the reports of the Recorder and Treasurer.

From the address of the Potentate we learn: "Zuhrah Temple has reason to be proud, for the year has been prosperous, socially, financially and in increase of membership. April 25, 1905, upon invitation from Tangier Temple, a large number of the Nobles and their ladies went to Omaha where they were royally entertained for two days. October 15, Zuhrah entertained its members and their ladies by an automobile ride over the city, a theater party and a grand ball. Nov. 3, the official Divan with 150 Nobles made a pilgrimage to Duluth where they participated in the first ceremonial work of Aad Temple and were well entertained. Owing to general prosperity the Temple had but few calls for relief. Frank C. Berry, E. W. Kittredge and H. M. Myers are accorded well merited thanks for services.

The recorder's report shows that 178 members were created, 12 joined by demit, 2 restored; the total membership being 1,480; 25 regular and special meetings were held. Cash on hand $2,606.68. Total assetts, $22,097.50.

Mystic Shrine.

Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, John S. Dodge, Potentate, will hold a ceremonial session Friday night, 16th., at which a large class will be initiated.

Grand Honors are liberally bestowed in Canada; from the Masonic Sun we learn that Grand Master has ruled that they shall be bestowed as follows:

For Grand Masters and Past Grand Masters—Nine. For Deputy Grand Masters, District Deputy Grand Masters, Past District Depnty Grand Masters and all other elected Grand Officers, past and present—seven. For all appointed grand officers, present and past—five. For all Worshipful Masters and Past Masters—three. A brother appointed by the Grand Master to represent him at the Constitution of a Lodge(and not otherwise entitled, by virtue of office or past office to more)—five. For all Grand or Past Grand Lodge officers of foreign jurisdiction in fraternal relationship with our Grand Lodge, similar honors to those accorded to members of our Grand Lodge, according to degree. (By courtesy only.)

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Ark Lodge will give another of its enjoyable dancing parties, Friday, 16th.

Darius Commandery will confer the Order of the Temple Thursday night 15th.

Arcana Lodge No. 187, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree Monday night, 12th.

Ark Lodge will confer the Master Mason degree Wednesday night, 14th.; all Master Masons invited.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, conferred the Entered Apprentice degree last Tuesday evening.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will confer the Master Mason degree Tuesday night, 13th.; work will be followed by light refreshments.

St. Johns Chapter No. 9, inducted and received and acknowledged six candidates last Tuesday night and exalted six Saturday night.

Zuhrah Temple held a ceremonial Wednesday night which was well attended; eighteen candidates from Winona assisted in the entertainment.

Zuhrah's Ladies will give its Annual Charity Ball, Thursday evening, February 22, at Masonic Temple; Tickets $1.00 per couple, additional lady, 50 cents.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, raised four last Wednesday night; this was the first work by the new officers and was done creditably; refreshments were served to fifty members and guests.

Summit Lodge No. 163 conferred the Master Mason degree on eleven candidates Friday, 2d. Work began at 4:30 and continued until 10:30. There was a large attendance and after work a social hour was enjoyed in the banquet room.

William M. Walker, whose portrait we print this week, is a well known business man and one of the best known and most active Masons in Minneapolis.

Brother Walker was born in Cambridgeshire, England, November 16, 1850, coming to the United States with his parents when he was two years old, he passed his boyhood at and near Troy, N. Y. His first business experience was gained in a grocery store; afterwards he became apprentice in the Druggist business and thoroughly learned pharmacy. He came to Minneapolis in 1879 where his knowledge of the grocery trade brought him to the employ of Dunham & Johnson, the well known wholesale grocers, with whom he remained six years; afterwards with Winston, Harper & Fisher ten years. He is now and has for several years been the genral manager and secretary and treasurer of The Indian Medical Spring Water Co.

Brother Walker was entered, passed and raised in Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, becoming a member of that body October 17, 1889; he received the Chapter degrees in St. Johns Chapter No. 9, in March, 1890; the Royal and Select Master degrees in Minneapolis Council No. 2, March, 1894; the orders of Knighthood in Zion Commandery No. 2, in 1890; the Scottish Rite degrees in the Bodies of the Rite in Minneapolis in 1891; at the last session of the Supreme Council, A. & A. S. R. in October, 1905, Brother Walker was elected to the Honorary degree of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor. Brother Walker served his lodge as Steward and Junior Deacon and for ten years has been its Marshal or Master of Ceremonies; he was appointed treasurer of his lodge last fall and at the annual communication was elected to that office; he has served his Chapter as treasurer continuously since 1898, and the Council and Commandery during same period. Brother Walker is also a member of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine and of Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. He has been a member of the Masonic Board of Relief for five years and is now vice president of that body; he is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Temple Association, having served for about ten years. All of Brother Walker's services have been rendered in an acceptable manner and have at all times been invaluable.

Brother Walker's wife is well known to all Masons of Minneapolis and she has been active in Palestine Chapter, O. E. S. and Zuhrah's Ladies, having presided over both of those bodies.

Scottish Rite Work.

Excelsior Lodge of Perfection, Hugh B. Marchbank, V. M., will confer degrees, 4-14, Monday, 12th., afternoon and evening.

St. Vincent de Paul Chapter Rose Croix, T. V. Moreau, W. M., will confer degrees, 15-18, Tuesday, 13th., afternoon and evening.

Alfred Elisha Ames Council Knights Kadosh, O. R. Fehlhaber, Com., will confer degrees, 19-30, Wednesday, 14th., afternoon and evening.

Minneapolis Consistory, William Hartley, M. of K., will confer degrees, 31-32, Thursday, 15th., afternoon and evening.

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Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

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All there is of truth is not embodied in the first three degrees; therefore, whatever may be added by the leading spirits and master minds of the order that will more clearly exemplify or add luster to the adopted system of teaching by symbols is as much Masonry as the knowledge imparted during the work of the first three degrees. If immortality is taught by life, death and the resurrection, it would not be taught by one life and death alone; or if a substitute was used for either one the lesson would still be incomplete. If a key-stone to an arch was lost, the arch would not be complete without it, and a substitute, to be effective, must be a key-stone and nothing else. The substitute for that which was lost was adopted to endure only "till future generations should find out the right." Have succeeding generations found out the right? If so, the substitute is no longer of value, and the chapter which gives to its votaries that which was lost is as much the home or school of Masonry as the "Blue Lodge.

If at any time during the construction of the temple the place of the deceased architect was effectively filled and the work successfully prosecuted, the instructions relative to the filling of the place are as much Masonry as the instructions relative to the causing of the vacancy by the death of the architect, and all must admit that it was his death that caused the loss, and through his death the key-stone was left in the quarry. Masonry is too broad to be circumscribed by three degrees; its truths are too far-reaching to be taught in one evening, and he who would pass its threshold must study beyond the ritual of the "Blue Lodge." —Porter, Washington.

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THE EASTERN STAR.

The Stars at Anoka initiated six Feb. 6.

Miriam Chapter, O. E. S. gave a valentine party on the 12th.

The Stars at Appleton will give a dime social on the 22d.

The Stars at Waseca held an old fashioned social and served lunch Feb. 6.

Worthy Grand Patron James reorganized the Eastern Star Chapter at Winthrop, February 1st.

Worthy Grand Matron Thomas will visit Radiant Chapter No. 83 at Janesville, on the 21st., and Crown No. 136 at Alma City, 22d.

The Stars at Eau Claire, Wis., gave a cinch party, served lunch and then looked for the eclipse of the moon, Feb. 8.

The Stars of Stevens Point, Wis., gave a mask dancing party on the 2d., served lunch and entertained their guests with billiards and cards.

The Stars at Elmore surprised one of their number, Mrs. P. Anning, and presented her with a rocking chair, served lunch and had a nice time, on the 6th.

Hope Chapter O. E. S., Waseca, had an old fashioned social Feb. 6, in which the Needle's Eye, Drop the Handkerchief, Happy is the Miller, etc., gave entertainment to old and young.

The Stars at Port Washington, Wis., Feb. 6, gave a colonial costume party; the gowns worn by the ladies are described as "beautiful in the extreme, many being decollette," "shoulders coming half way down the arm," etc.; but one man "braved the stare of the ladies" and wore colonial dress.

Worthy Grand Matron Elizabeth Thomas will conduct a school of instruction at Mankato, Friday, Feb. 3, for the Chapters in the 19th. district. A cordial invitation is extended to all members and especially to Grand and Past Grand officers.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, O. E. S., held its first entertainment under the new administration, Saturday evening, 10th., at Masonic Temple, in the form of a dancing and card party; it proved a grand success; two hundred members and friends being in attendance. Sister Martha Brett Moran, chairman of the entertainment committee, and her capable assistant sister Lillie Staples, proved their efficiency and hopes are freely expressed by all who enjoyed this occasion that it may soon be renewed.—Mary Tuttle, Cor.

Lorraine social club held its election of officers Tuesday, 13th., resulting as follows: Mrs. Abbie Baker, President; Mrs. Martha Dagget, Vice-President; Mrs. Kate Mathews, Secretary and Treasurer. The annual reports were read and show the club in a prosperous condition.—Mary Tuttle, Cor.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 will hold a thimble bee at home of Mrs. Annie Allen 814 16 ave. North next Wed. afternoon, 21st.

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Monday evening, 12th., occurred the regular meeting of No. 9, with a good attendance and seventeen visitors present, among whom were Worthy Grand Matron Elizabeth Thomas, others from Lorraine, Minnehaha, Plymouth, Arcana, Palestine; Bro. and sister F. C. Nesbit of Maple Leaf Chapter, Omaha, and others.

The program announced for the "Good of the Order" proved most delightful. Readings were rendered by Mrs. Maude Millard of Lake Sheteck Chapter, Currie, Minn.; also by sister Zella Zee Dodge. Songs by Miss Gracie Emery, piano solo by Mrs. S. J. Bowler. The "sliced songs" arranged by associate matron, sister Louise Lyon Johnson, proved most amusing and entertaining numbers and were participated in by the following who drew these numbers and songs: "Old Oaken Bucket," by sister Flint and brother Johnson; "My Old Kentucky Home" by sister Smith worthy matron of Plymouth Chapter and Gracie Emery; "Old Folks at Home", by sister Altschwager and Leah Lebo; "Annie Laurie" was sung by sister Grace Hayward and worthy matron Abbie Eells Reed; "John Brown," sisters Eells and Lucker; "Maryland My Maryland," sisters Runey and Dodge; "Yankee Doodle," by our Worthy Grand Matron, sister Thomas, and sister Grace Hayward; The final number was most appropriate to the occasion, "America," sung by brothers Bowler and Johnson, sisters Eells and Flint. Dr. G. W. Dysinger gave a splendid talk on "The Successful Man." Later in the evening addresses were given by other members and visitors.

Sister Grace Hayward will entertain for "Good of the Order" at the next meeting to which all members of the order are invited.

A great amount of illness has been reported and the relief committee has been kept busy. Their faithfulness called forth words of appreciation from many recipients of calls and flowers.—Cor.

On Tuesday evening, February 27, Carmel Chapter No. 127, St. Paul, will celebrate its 8th anniversary by having a banquet and a reception to the Grand Officers.

Oriental Chapter was organized at St. Paul, Friday evening, Feb. 2nd, by Worthy Grand Patron Wm. M. James, assisted by Elizabeth Thomas, W. G. Matron, Evelyn Yould, A. G. M., Mary C. Taylor, Grand Sec'y, Andrew P. Swanstrom, P. G. P., Mary E. Walker and Dolly Taylor, of Palestine Chapter, Pearl Erickson, Mrs. Alice Munson, Mrs. Annie Van Allen and Mrs. Aurela Phillips of Constellation Chapter. The degrees were conferred upon nineteen candidates which added to the eleven members who signed the petition made a very nice number for the new Worthy Matron to select officers from.

The Chapter starts with bright prospects as they have a beautiful hall in conjunction with Montgomery Lodge, and members who are full of enthusiasm. We predict for them a bright future. Mrs. Betty Carlson, W. M., John Holt, W. P., Mrs. Eliza L. Farnsworth, A. M., Miss Esther Carlson, Se'y, 688 E. Cook St.

Mrs. Mary E. Walker and Miss Norris entertained a number of their friends at cards Monday afternoon. The decorations were appropriate for the day, the National colors prevailing in everything. The beautiful silk flag of our country which was draped above the mantle, the flowers which decorated the rooms in profusion, the wax tapers in the candleabras, the score cards and even the refreshments bespoke the same spirit of patriotism. No one knows better how to make people happy, and this was an especially happy gathering. The prizes were unusually beautiful.

Palestine Chapter No. 112 had a very successful card and dancing party, Monday evening; 23 tables of Euchre was played and the dancing hall was well filled with those who preferred to dance. Prizes were won by J. Thomas, Wm. Miller, H. F. Fankhauser, Mrs. Joe Sandy, Mrs. Julia

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Jamestown Lodge No. 6, N. D., celebrated its 25th. anniversary Feb. 7.

A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was instituted at Milaca, Minn., February 9.

Mankato Lodge No. 12, will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary March 10; only one of its charter members is living.

Plumb Line Lodge No. 173, Kimball, entertained its members and their families, Feb. 3.

King David, 179, Elmore, recently entertained its members with song and story, lunch and cigars.

The Sauk Center Herald reports the loss by fire Feb. 3, of the Masonic Hall at Browerville, Minn.

Dr. William Rainey Harper, late president of the University of Chicago, was a member of Ashlar Lodge No. 308, Chicago.

Temple Lodge No. 59, Hutchinson, has accepted an invitation to confer the M. M. degree before Stewart Lodge No. 229.

W. M. James, W. G. P., instituted Oriental Chapter, U. D., O. E. S., at St. Paul, Friday, February 9. The Chapter has a membership of 27, nineteen being initiated on the night of institution; this is the sixth Chapter in St. Paul.

Constantine Commandery No. 20, K. T., was inspected by John Fishel, Feb. 10; officers were installed and a general good time had.

Masons at Wenatchee, Wash., will celebrate the anniversary of Washington's birth, and have invited all the lodges in central Washington to participate.

The Masonic Temple association of Spokane, Wash., reports total assets of $99,819.94 with an indebtedness which leaves a surplus in favor of the association, of $51,712.88.

The Masonic Library has received from Loren Fletcher, M. C., 30 vols. reports, etc.; from Geo. W. Cooley, 73 books, proceedings grand bodies; from W. C. Allen, 123 books, proceedings, etc.; from E. E. Griswold, memorial address John R. Gamble, M. C. and 13 vols. government reports; from Lucius Frink, Roster Apollo Co. No. 1, K. T., Chicago; from O. J. H. Martin, Gen. Hist. Freemasonry in Europe.

El Zagal Temple, Mystic Shrine, entertained Imperial Potentate Collins, Monday, 12th. The Divan entertained him at dinner and in the evening there was a reception for members and their lady friends, after which there was dancing, in which the ladies participated in the ball room and the candidates in the Shrine room; the program was not the same in each room, that for the candidates being more strenuous.

NECROLOGIC.

Archibald K. Wheeler, member of the law firm of Gordon & Wheeler, Landgon, N. D., and formerly associated with Noyes & McGhee of this City, and late assistant attorney for the N. W. Telephone Co., died at Langdon Feb. 11, after an illness of only three days. Masonic funeral services were held at Langdon and the body brought to Minneapolis where it was placed in the Hall of Khurum Lodge that friends and employes of the Telephone company might pay their respects, after which it was carried to Lakewood cemetery and deposited in the vault from which it will be buried in the early spring. His wife and three children survive; also two brothers, Charles and Ross Wheeler and a sister, Mrs. Herkimer, all residing at Minneapolis. Deceased was a charter member of McMillan Lodge No. 400, at Newberry, Michigan, and a member of the Lodge of Perfection, A. & A. S. R., at Langdon, N. D.

Dr. Charles M. Stanton, born in Vincennes, Indiana, in 1859, died at Asbury Hospital, Minneapolis, February 3, 1906; the body was taken to Lime Springs, Iowa, February 4th. where it was given Masonic burial. Dr. Stanton was a member of Minnesota Lodge No. 224.

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Sprague and Mrs. Nellie Miller.

The friends of Mrs. W. H. Jacoby will be glad to know that she is at the "Waverly" and is feeling strong enough to see her friends, who all feel for her in the sorrow that has come to her in the death of her husband.

St. Paul Chapter No. 24 planned a pleasant surprise on one of their members Wednesday evening. The members gathered in amazing numbers and went to the new home of Past Patron Leonard Hope to spend the evening.

Valentine day was in evidence in the decorations and in many of the games for the younger members. The Masonic Quartette gave several selections and Brother Hope himself added to the pleasure of his friends some of his best songs. During the evening Brother Hope was presented with a very beautiful loving cup from the Chapter over which he has served as Worthy Patron three years. Brother Milton Emery, Worthy Patron made the presentation and the response showed that Brother Hope appreciated the loving kindness of the members of St. Paul Chapter. Refreshments were served. Brother Hope is very popular and an enthusiastic member of the order. The Worthy Grand Matron and Grand Secretary were among the guests.

Winthrop Chapter No. 119 was reorganized Feb. 1st, by the Worthy Grand Matron Sister Thomas and Worthy Grand Patron Brother James. Several of the members of the old Chapter are among the petitioners and a goodly number of new candidates took the degree the night of organization.

The first four officers are Mrs. May Podratz, W. M., Fred Podratz, W. P., Mrs. Selma Hagberg, A. M., Anna A. H. Huebner, Sec'y.

REVIEW OF PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND BODIES.

Grand Chapter, R. A. M. of New York; one hundred and ninth annual Albany, Feb. 6th, and 7th. Membership, 29,383, a net increase of 1,424; general fund $24,197.92, permanent fund $17,781.37. Officers elected: Derrick Brown, G. H. P.; Dana B. Pratt, D. G. H. P.; Charles C. Hunt, G. S.; Herman H. Russ, G. Treas.; Christopher G. Fox, G. Sec.

The Grand High Priest said: Commanderies, Councils, Chapters and Lodges have, in the most fraternal spirit, and in the most gracious manner given proof of their respect and regard for the Grand Chapter and for those officially connected with it.

The especial consideration shown to the Grand Chapter by the Grand Master, the Grand Commandery and the Grand Council, marks an era of good feeling which has made my heart glad within me. My dearest wish is to see the time when all true Masonic bodies may stand together side by side, striving for the common welfare; none interfering with the rights of others, none harboring jealousy or disdain, but all "kindly affectioned one to another, with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another." Then, and only then, shall we present to the forces of evil a line of battle unbroken, unyielding, invincible.

A merited tribute of praise was paid to Christopher G. Fox, who has been Grand Secretary for nearly forty years.

ATTENTION, SIR KNIGHTS.

The Malta Festival will be held on the 23d. day of March; there is therefore, but little time left for preparation and every Sir Knight who is to take part should be prompt and constant in attendance at all meetings for rehearsal and work from now on. The Commander of Zion No. 2, justly thinks that the Sir Knights should be as ready to support his efforts as he is to give his time, to the end that success may be attained. Darius Commandery No. 2, and her members are equally interested and determined to do their share. Let all be activity henceforth. The official program is in the printers' hands and will be ready for distribution about March 1st. Indications are that this will be the largest gathering of Templars ever held in the North West; inquiries are being received from the whole country.

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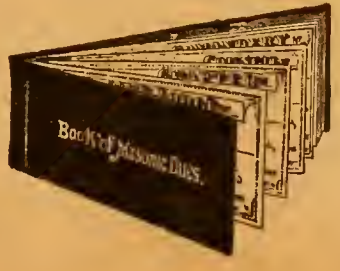
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Zion Commandery, No. 2 K. T. (Mpls).
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TUESDAY EVENING.

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Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
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St. John's Chap. 9, Mas. Tem., 6th floor.
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WEDNESDAY EVENING.

STATED.

Minneapolis 19, Mas. Tem., 6th floor.
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Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, Mas. Tem.

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THE IDEA OF OUR GOVERNMENT REALIZED IN MASONRY.

One of the things that attracted me so greatly to Masonry that I hailed the chance of becoming a Mason, was that it really did act up to what we, as a government and as a people, are pledged to do—of treating each man on his merits as a man. When Bro. George Washington went into a lodge of the fraternity, he went into the one place in the United States where he stood below or above his fellows, according to their official position in the lodge. He went into the place where the idea of our government was realized as far as it is humanly possible for mankind to realize a lofty ideal. And I know that you will not only understand me, but sympathize with me, when I say that, great though my pleasure is in being here as your guest in this beautiful temple, and in meeting such a body of men as this is that I am now addressing, I think my pleasure is even greater when going into some little lodge, where I meet the plain, hard-working men—the men who work with their hands—and meet them on a footing of genuine equality, not false equality, of genuine equality, conditioned upon each man being a decent man, a fair-dealing man.

Each one of us naturally is interested especially in life as he sees it from his own standpoint. Each one of us that is worth his salt is trying to do his share in working out the problems that are before all of us now, at the beginning of the twentieth century. Any man in public life, whatever his position be, if he is interested at heart, has the desire to do some kind of substantial service for his country. He must realize that the indispensable prerequisite of success under our institutions is genuineness in the spirit of brotherhood.

Masonry should make, and must make, each man who conscientiously and understandingly takes its obligations, a fine type of American citizenship, because Masonry teaches him his obligations to his fellowes in practical fashion. It is a good thing to read the Declaration of Independence every Fourth of July; it is a good thing to talk of what Washington and his fellows did for us. But what counts is how we live up to the lessons that we read or that we speak of.

The lesson of brotherhood, first and foremost, is to learn that lesson with a full heart on the one hand and without a weak head on the other. The lesson of brotherhood—that is, the lesson that has to be taught and to be learned and applied to us as a people, if we are to solve the great industrial and social problems of today.

If we could get wage workers and employers in any given occupation, or in any given district, in a lodge together, I would guarantee the result; I would guarantee what would happen. Is not that true? Do you not think so? Exactly. And I would guarantee it because if that thing happened we would come into the lodge, all of us, each wanting to do what was good for his brother; each recognizing that in our government every man of us has to be his brother's keeper; not recognizing it in any spirit of foolish emotionalism; not under the impression that you can benefit your brother by some act of weak, yielding complacency that will be a curse to him (and, of course, to you). That is not the way to benefit him.

You take any lodge where, as in the case in our own little lodge, you see the capitalist and wage worker, men of all classes, men of every kind of social position and wealth, and see them meeting together with the feeling for one another that should always go with Masonry. When one sees a lodge such as that, a meeting such as that, one sees how a certain small fragment of our industrial problem is being solved,

It is not possible to have the ideal that I would like to have; to have, as I said, all of the best of all classes and creeds represented in Masonry in every district. But it is possible for each of us to go out into the world trying to apply in his dealing with his fellows the lessons of Masonry as they are taught in the lodge, and as they are applied in the brotherhood. And so we can practically learn from Washington how to deal with the problems of today, if we take his career, not as a subject for formal eulogy, not as a subject for an academic intellectual exercise, but as a living truth in our hearts and in our souls, to be acted upon and to be remembered in all our dealings with our fellowmen. I know how hard it is to talk of his career without seeming in a sense to use cant expressions. It is one of the inevitable tendencies in dealing with the name and record of any great man to use conventional expressions, because we are speaking of elementary virtues, and the very fact that the virtues are elementry, and there is need to practice them every day and every hour makes it difficult to talk of them in language that shall not seem commonplace.

Don't merely talk about your duties in your own parlors, but try to show in practical fashion that you intend each to do his part in solving the problems that have got to be solved. Our system of government is the best in the world for a people able to carry it on. Only the highest type of people can carry it on. We believe we know that we can do it only if each of us, in the dealings with the outside world, carries into it the spirit that makes a man a good Mason among his brother Masons. If each of us strives to have the citizenship of our country carried on in accordance with the basic principles of decent living, and if each of us shows according to his power and in his place, by his actions, the homage to

Washington's career and life that is paid by the man with whom it is not lip-loyalty, but with whom it is that spirit in the heart, that must bear fruit indeed.—Theodore Roosevelt.

MASONIC KNIGHTHOOD.

"Nor need we turn to other days; Sir Knights today are made,
And as of old are upward led thro' ward and accolade.
No joust and tourney call for strife; yet hearts are just as true
In "devoir" both to God and man, in loyal service due."

It can be truly said that in the Christian Templar will be found the highest type of manhood, and in him the man nearest to our conception of Him who was the incarnation of truth, love and justice. The very cornerstone of Masonic Knikhthood is the Christian religion and the practice of the Christian virtues. The object of the institution is to elevate mankind in the truest, noblest sense of the word. The lives of its members and their swords are dedicated to the defense of the Christian religion in its sublimest purity; to the protection of the innocent and the relief of the distressed; to all, that should incite man to honest and determined endeavors in his brother's welfare. Wherein there is failure, because of human imperfections, is found the measure of distance from that ideal, which still remains as the symbol of the highest attainments of the zealous Templar.

It was an eminent divine and teacher, who once said, in substance, to his class, and I may be permitted to repeat in illustration: On the right of the entrance to the great hall of the Royal Museum at Berlin is a soul-stirring picture by Kaulbach, which combines, more than any other painting in the world, the interest of history and poetry, of wierd imagination and symbolic lore. It represents the last great battle between the Romans and the Huns, which decided the fate of the world. As the story goes, the combat was waged fiercely for three long days. Nearly all the combatants were slain, and the few surviving, worn with the conflict, fell to the ground in heavy sleep. As night came on, the spirits of the dead, still fierce and restless, arose to a silent and bitter struggle in the air. There was Attila, borne aloft on his shield, leading his barbaric hordes to death or victory. And there, Theodoric, the Roman leader, comes with sword and cross to meet him. "The picture," said the eminent divine, "is wonderful for its vivid portraiture of deadly conflict, but far more for its symbolic teaching, that the battle which determined the future of Christianity and of the world was not so much of men and spears, as a battle between the spirits of two opposing civilizations; a battle in which subtle and shadowy principles contended for the mastery of the world."

That great battle of principles, of right against wrong, is still waging, is never ending, and I am pleased to think of the Christian Templar as leading the advancing forces with indomitable will and courage to strike for God and humanity, as did Theodoric and his legions. Although no longer called to individual feats of arms and strength, as was the ancient Templar, there is an imperative demand for the vigorous exercise of his mental and moral powers in the defense of all that is good and pure in social life. Evidence is demanded of the sincerity of his profession by his works in teaching a rising generation the value of personal integrity, business probity and judicial and legislative honesty. His best efforts are demanded for the cause of church, of education, of temperance and of pure and healthful politics. He can but guard with jealous care the rights of the poor and helpless, tolerate no compromise with the enemies of truth and justice, and submit to the tyranny of no form of corruption.

The true Christian Templar stands on the watch tower, and is ever alert to the movements of the foes of truth and justice. In the fulfillment of the great trust reposed in him, and the intelligent discharge of the responsibilities imposed upon him he earns the right to his title, and the highest privilege of wearing on his breast the symbolic cross. May God grant him strength to enforce everywhere the sublime teachings of our noble Order, and may it be our constant endeavor to be truly entitled to his rank and privileges.—Perkins, P. G. C. Vermont

Many years ago the writer was one of a crowd who lined the platform of a railway station hoping to get a glimpse of the Prince of Wales, now His Gracious Majesty, Edward VII. All was expectancy as his coming had been heralded throughout the land, and there was no thought of disappointment. Soon the train appeared, slowed down and barely rolled past; on the rear platform of the last coach appeared an old gentleman in frock coat and top hat, his grace, the Duke of Newcastle; some of the younger ones were about to raise a shout when his Grace's lips parted and there was heard issuing forth these words, "His Royal Highness is weary and is sleeping," and bowing, reentered the coach. Murmurs of disappointment began when a boy said "I heard him snore"; another said "Huh! I guess he's not so much." Upon this latter, the writer fell (he was smaller than I), and licked him, to the aproval of the crowd. During the remainder of that day the boy who "heard him snore" and the one who licked the scoffer were heroes.

Recently the coming of another, an Imperial Prince, has been heralded far and wide; he, too, was coming from the land of "Our Lady of the Snows." In due time he appeared at Winnipeg; our brethren at Fargo received him with open arms, Aad at Duluth, our youngest brother, greeted him with all honor; the warmth of his brethren to the south attracted him and the Moslem gates of Osman at St. Paul, opened wide and he entered therein, and being a-weary fell asleep, and no one even heard him snore.



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THE EASTERN STAR.

Worthy Grand Matron Thomas visited Chapters at Janesville, Alma City and Mankato, last week.

Masons and Stars of Elysian and Janesville, Minn., united in a social at the latter place, Feb. 12.

White Clover Chapter, O. E. S., Tacoma, Wash., gave a ball Feb. 12, for the benefit of the O. E. S. and Masonic Homes.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. social at the residence of Mrs. W. M. Walker, 1028 Hawthorne Ave., Thursday afternoon, March 1.

Grand Matron Guernsey and Grand Patron McCormack led the grand march at White Clover Chapter's ball at Tacoma, Wash., Feb 12.

A new thing in the line of social functions called "Aliener l'esprit a quelqu'un," was given by the Stars at Rush City, Minn., Feb. 13.

Foy Chapter, Fern Hill, Wash., gave a surprise birthday party to A. U. Mills, one of its members, and presented him a stein, box of cigars and tobacco jar.

The Lorraine Social Club will meet with Mrs. Abbie J. Baker, 3317 3rd Ave. S., Tuesday, Feb. 27. All members of Lorraine Chapter and their friends cordially invited.

The Stars at Princeton, gove a basket social and card party on the 16th; each lady carried a basket of lunch for two and at the door was given a card the duplicate of which was sold to a gentleman for 25 cents, the gentleman found his partner and they lunched together; coffee was served by the Chapter.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S., after the regular business session Monday night, 26th, will, under the direction of Joseph W. Johnson, chairman, give one of its delightful social entertainments to which all members of the Order and their friends are cordially invited. The program in part will consist of, Piano Solo by Mrs. Pearl B. Marsh; Reading by Mrs. Abbie E. Reed; Selection by Miss Grace Haywood; Vocal Solo by Mrs. Ira J. Covey.

Mrs. Gus. Allen will entertain Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S. at cards next Wednesday evening, Feb. 28, at her home, 814 16th Ave. No.

Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Dysinger will give a reception to Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S., Tuesday evening, March 6, at their home, 1037 N. 3rd St.

The Thimble Bee of Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, met on Feb. 21, with Mrs. Gus. Allen. It was largely attended, and was a success, socially and financially. A program of music and recitations was given, followed by light refreshments. Members of the chapter and their friends are invited to attend the meetings of the Thimble Bee.

Mrs. Mary E. R. McGuire, Corresponding Secretary of Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S. is ill with tonsilitis.

ATTENTION, SIR KNIGHTS.

The Malta Festival will be held on the 23d. day of March; there is therefore, but little time left for preparation and every Sir Knight who is to take part should be prompt and constant in attendance at all meetings for rehearsal and work from now on. The Commander of Zion No. 2, justly thinks that the Sir Knights should be as ready to support his efforts as he is to give his time, to the end that success may be attained. Darius Commandery No. 2, and her members are equally interested and determined to do their share. Let all be activity henceforth. The official program is in the printers' hands and will be ready for distribution about March 1st. Indications are that this will be the largest gathering of Templars ever held in the North West; inquiries are being received from the whole country.

The new lodge at Robinsdale was constituted and officers installed, Feb. 19; Past Grand Master Tusler, Grand Senior Warden Roberts and Grand Secretary Montgomery officiated.

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Thirty-five Sir Knights signed a petition for a Commandery at Antigo, Wis.

The Masons of Walla Walla, Wash., have completed a new temple and will dedicate it early in March.

Oliver Olds, a Hudson, Wis., pioneer of the fifties, and prominent in Masonic circles, died, Feb. 22.

Bismarck, N. D. Masons will erect a temple which "when completed will be one of the finest in the Northwest."

Faribault Lodge No. 9, has appointed a committee to arrange a celebration of its fiftieth anniversary in January, 1907.

Yellowstone Chapter No. 5, R. A. M., Glendive, Mont., recently held a convocation continuing two days and two nights.

The Masons at Worthing, S. D., have received a dispensation to organize a lodge, and held their first meeting Feb. 10.

Harry A. Collins of Toronto, Canada, Past Potentate of Rameses Temple, attended a meeting of the State Foresters at Minneapolis on the 21st.

Aurora Lodge No. 100, Brainerd, entertained the Lodges from Staples, Aitkin and Little Falls, with work on the M. M. degree and a banquet on the 22nd.

Osman Temple, St. Paul, held a very enthusiastic session on the sixteenth in honor of Imperial Potentate Collins; there was a large attendance and twenty-four candidates added to the entertainment.

Rev. and Mrs. George H. Davis were given a Masonic reception at St. Cloud, Minn., Feb. 17. Rev. Davis is a past Master of the Lodge and returned to preach the semi-centennial sermon at St. Johns Episcopal church.

The Masons of Boone, Iowa, have received a bequest from the late Frank Champlin, who was president of the City Bank, of $18,000, with which they will erect a Temple; with other property now in hand they have $25,000 available for this purpose.

William McKinnon, Sheriff of Carlton county, recently injured in railroad wreck, died at Duluth, Feb. 9; he was buried at Carlton on the 13th, by the Masonic Lodge. Mr. McKinnon was born in Nova Scotia, April 5, 1852; on coming to Minnesota he located at Stillwater; in 1880 he located at Cloquet; he served his county as Sheriff for twelve years.

Writing of the "spirit of sectarianism which is so prevalent in the Province of Quebec", the Masonic Sun says "There are fifty thousand Masons in Canada and this number, composed as it is, of what can be called the most intelligent portion of the various communities, surely can wield a power for good by disseminating the principles of toleration. One of the great factors in the future upbuilding of Canada will be the Masonic fraternity."

Writing of the movement towards the union between the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregationalist Churches in Canda, the Masonic Sun says "Is Masonry playing any part in the Union? We think so. It may not be directly, but indirectly it is. A man conversant with the teachings of Masonry is bound to become more broader in his views as he practises them. For he is taught that he must look beyond the narrow limits of particular institutions, whether civil or religious, and to view in every son of Adam a brother of the dust. A great number of the leaders of the three denominations interested, are Masons and have had inculcated in them the spirit of brotherhood and this has borne some fruit in the great event, which we feel, will shortly take place when these three great religious bodies become a United Church."

ZUHRAH'S LADIES' BALL.

The eighth floor of the Masonic Temple was thronged with a large crowd of dancers on the evening of February 22, the occasion being the annual charity ball given by Zuhrah's Ladies. As usual at Zuhrah's Ladies' affairs, the floor was filled with dancers and a large number of people occupied the gallery during the entire evening.

The committee of arrangements, Mrs. Clarence M. Rawitzer, Mrs. James F. Ells, Mrs. Ralph J. Young, Mrs. Horace M. Myers and Mrs. John G. Lund, may congratulate themselves on the success of their efforts to provide the proper atmosphere of music, lights, etc. In honor of Washington's birthday the imense ballroom was hung with American flags, of varying sizes and shapes to fit the artistic demands of the spaces they filled. Rows of white lights on the great arches of the ceiling shed their brilliancy over the entire hall, their glare being softened by numerous hanging lamps enveloped in red tissue.

The stage was occupied by the musicians.

The rear of the stage was curtained showing a characteristic Egyptian scene, while above the stage appeared in colored lights an immense representation of the mystic scimiter of Zuhrah.

The Grand March, headed by Mrs. Clarence M. Rawitzer, chairwoman of the arangements and Mr. John G. Lund, chairman of the floor committee, was a very pretty scene. The length of the line of marchers made it somewhat difficult to handle, but the leaders were evidently long-experienced, and they managed the crowd very nicely. After various figures, the line of the Grand March proceeded straight up the center of the room toward the stage. Just above the center of the floor were stationed flower girls, and as each couple approached they were given carnations, the ladies white, the gentlemen red. This ended the march and the long line broke into groups of dancers.

A calcium light was used with very good effect during the evening, especially in the Grand March, and in one very pretty "Moonlight Dance," when

other lights were lowered, and only the calcium used, throwing colored lights on the changing groups on the floor.

* The gentlemen of the floor committe were constantly busy, and with the gentlemen and ladies of the reception committe carried the affair off very smoothly, and Zuhrah's Ladies feel that the 1906 ball was one of the most successful, socially and financially ever held.

An agreeable break in the succession of dances was afforded by Miss Rawitzer, (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rawitzer), who gave a very pretty flag dance, and earned the applause of the entire assemblage with the well executed figures of the dance.

The Committees follow:

Committe of Arrangements—Mrs. Clarence M. Rawitzer, Mrs. James F. Ells, Mrs. Horace M. Myers, Mrs. Ralph J. Young, Mrs. John G. Lund.

Reception Committee—Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey E. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Falconer, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Barrows, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Huntington, Mr. and Mrs. Wilford A. Merriam, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Ovenshire, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus L. Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hornbrook.

Floor Committee—Mr. John G. Lund, Mr. Clarence M. Rawitzer, Mr. Fred Salisbury, Mr. James F. Ells, Mr. Ralph J. Young, Mr. Henry C. Hanke, Mr. Will A. Elliot, Mr. W. H. Reed, Mr. F. J. Meyst, Mr. Thomas Voegeli, Mr. E. W. Kittredge, Mr. Otto R. Fehlhaber.

Every brother will recognize the wide difference between working well and ill, both as to its own beauty and to its effect upon the initiate. In the one place you have a beautiful moral temple gratifying to your own vision, and attractive to your newly admitted brother; in the other a temple of broken arches, displaced architraves and prostrate columns; a temple in which the stones are not properly hewn, squared and numbered, and in which the candidate will discern only the material of the building and not a perfect and finished edifice.—Philip C. Tucker.

Mistletoe Court No. 1, O. of A., will entertain at cards Thursday afternoon, March 8, at Commandery Hall, Masonic Temple. Supper will be served at 6:30 P. M. Members and friends are invited. —Secretary.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Ark Lodge card and dancing party Friday night, March 2.

Annual meeting and election Excelsior Lodge of Perfection, Thursday, March 1.

St. Johns Chapter will confer the Mark Master degree at a special convocation Wednesday night, 28th.

W. O. Chase of Ark Lodge is confined to his home, 2936 Humboldt Ave. N., with a severe case of pneumonia.

Zion Commandery's dancing and card party on the 20th was well attended and an enjoyable time was had.

Horace Myers, is an Honorary thirty-third whom we omitted to mention as being present at the recent A. & A. S. R. reunion.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will hold a special communication Tuesday night, 27th, to confer the Entered Apprentice degree.

The names of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Runge appear among the guests at the annual Masonic ball at Grand Forks, N. D., recently.

L .G. Hoffman, Potentate of Osman Temple, St. Paul, is one of three candidates for the republican nomination for Mayor of that city.

L. W. Gammons, recently appointed Grand Warder, Grand Commandery of North Dakota, was a resident of Minneapolis a few years ago.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 will have a "Roll Call" meeting, Tuesday night, 27th. Every resident member should be present or send written regrets and good wishes.

Dr. C. W. Williams, 3100 1st Ave. S., member of Ark Lodge and Chapter, is confined to his home with a sprained ankle resulting from a fall on an icy walk.

NOTES FROM ZUHRAH.

Two ceremonial meetings in one month and that the shortest.

There were only about six hundred out to the session on the 16th; had it not been known for some time that the Imperial Potentate had decided not to pay us a visit, there would have been twice that number.

Eighteen candidates at the first and thirty-four at the second; pretty fair for one month.

The great transformation scene was so realistic as to nearly cause Henry Hahn to faint.

Major Scott says there are no Masons among the Leech Lake Indians but some of them are mean enough to be descendants of Morgan.

Judge John Day Smith's speech was appropriate and well received.

Mrs. Walter S. Thompson's singing was superb; we hope to hear her frequently.

William J. Lockwood of Pyramid Temple, Bridgeport, Conn., was a visitor.

The applause with which Judge Dickinson's Moslem Address is greeted is always long and loud.

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And my Brethren, the youngest Masonic novitiate needs not be reminded that, prominent among the vivifying, fundamental principles of our time-immemorial and ever-youthful Fraternity, are benevolence and beneficence, and that with these, are inseparably intertwined all the other obligations and duties which we owe to God, to our neighbors, and to ourselves; and while humble Craftsmen vainglorously boast not of the hundreds of thousands of shekels voluntarily given by them and annually expended for the care and comfort of the widow, the fatherless, the needy, aged and infirm; yet all true Brethren of the Mystic Tie glory in the fact that the great ends and aims of our Fraternity are not only to promote individual good and present betterment, but to aid in all things, to hasten the coming of that glorious Era of which our late beloved Brother Robert Burns (the immortal Laureate Bard of the Freemasons of my own dear native land) sweetly sang with triumphal prophetic joy: "It's coming yet for a' that," when "man to man, the world o'er, shall Brothers be for a' that."—Graham, P. G. M., Quebec.

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Excelsior Lodge of Perfection No.2, Mas. Tem
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Blind creeds and kings have had their day.
Break the dead branches from the path;
Our hope is in the aftermath—
Our hope is in heroic men,
Star-led to build the world again.
To this even the ages ran;
Make way for Brotherhood—make way for man."

A NOTED MASONIC FAMILY.

Death has invaded one of Minnesota's most noted Masonic families and Peter F. Countryman the Father has been borne to the grave by his six stalwart Masonic sons.

Brother Countryman was born in Jefferson County, New York, December 22, 1829, and died at Hastings, Minnesota, February 19, and was buried there February 21, 1906; the funeral services being conducted by Rev. Brother Levi Gleason, a retired Methodist Minister who came from New York with the Countryman family. Brother Countryman came to Minnesota in 1855, settling on a farm near Hastings and resided on the farm and in the City until his death. He served as a volunteer in company D, Second Minnesota Infantry during the civil war and held several offices in the Township in which he lived. Brother Countryman received the three degrees in Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 35, now defunct, at Hastings, and served that lodge as secretary several years. He was a man of large intelligence and sterling qualities and held in high esteem by all who knew him. While not active in Masonry he was much interested in that institution and lived to see his sons highly honored by and conferring honor upon that grand organization. He is survived by six sons and three daughters all of whom are more than thirty-five years of age. The sons, who attended the funeral and bore the body to the grave are: A. D. Countryman, Appleton, Past Grand Master; L. A. Countryman, Minneapolis, P. M. of Appleton Lodge No. 137 and now Secretary of Ark Chapter No. 53 and Deputy Master of Mineapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., F. A. Countryman, Watertown, S. D., P. M. of Kampeska Lodge No. 13, and now E. C. of Watertown Commandery No. 7, K. T.; G. E. Countryman, Aberdeen, S. D., P. M. of Aberdeen Lodge No. 38; M. L. Countryman, St. Paul, Minn., P. M. of Summit Lodge No. 163, and D. M. Countryman, a Master Mason residing in Minneapolis; the daughters are: Mrs. L. A. Cobb, Minneapolis, and Mrs. S. D. Cecil and Mrs. E. H. Markrey of Hastings.



PETER F. COUNTRYMAN.

MINNEHAHA LODGE REUNION.

At the reunion meeting of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 on Tuesday evening the roll of 171 members was called, and there were but few who did not answer to their names or had not sent letters of greeting. And—**nota bene**—there was not a Brother of all those present who did not know enough not to make a long talk on such an occasion. This of itself speaks volumes in praise of the mental caliber of the Brothers of Minnehaha Lodge.

Brother C. W. Drew, the master U. D. and first master of the lodge under charter, and now of Ark Lodge, was invited to make the principal address. Brother Drew gave an interesting relation of the founding of the lodge, and referred feelingly and in words of high praise to our venerable Brother E. E. Smith and others who were laborers with the speaker in those earlier years.

The list of those who had died members of the lodge was read by the secretary, and for these, who could no longer speak for themselves, Brother T. O. Dahl responded in sentiments eminently befitting the theme and the occasion. The music was in charge of the Minnesota quartette, and their singing contributed materially to the enjoyment of the evening. The stereopticon was at its best, and with Brother A. A. Baker as interpreter furnished the Brethren present with views of the building where the Lodge was organized; its second home, where it gathered about 17 years; its present home, with interior and exterior views; Minnehaha Falls, from which the Lodge takes its name, and portraits of the treasurer and secretary, Brothers Cox and Goff, who have served the Lodge in their respective offices so many years, the veteran

tyler, Brother Stevens, the Worshipful Master, Brother Thos. W. Allen, and, with one or two omissions, the Past Masters of the Lodge, Brothers C. W. Drew, E. E. Smith, G. F. Mitchell, Chas. H. Lee, Frank Gunther, H. G. McLaskey, W. O. Clark, E. R. Williams, Geo. E. Cessford, Bert L. Smith, A. A. Baker, Wm. G. Stranahan, Carl J. Stockdale, and T. O. Dahl.

The dining hall was in charge of Brother C. M. Vollender, and when Brother Vollender superintends a banquet table, variety, plenty and tasteful quality are assured aforetime. To the committee, Brother W. W. Hughes, chairman, and Brothers Vollender and Baker, the Lodge is under obligation for their labors in making the occasion so marked a success.

Minnehaha Lodge is of age, it was 21 years old on the month of this reunion. It has a home and territory of its own, its purpose is fixed, its aspirations are high, and its faith is well founded. Surely — and this Scripture is paraphrased with reverence—surely goodness and mercy shall follow it all the days of its life, and it shall dwell in the city of its birth forever.



ALEX GARDNER, Jr.

A DOUBLE SURPRISE.

Alex. Gardner, Jr., publisher of Gardner's vest pocket receipt book, was recently elected President of the Pythian Veteran Association; this came as a surprise, Bro. Gardner not having expected the honor. In addition thereto his wife and daughter with a number of St. Paul friends, invaded his rooms in the Masonic Temple, Minneapolis, last Wednesday night and after showering him with congratulations and "many returns of the happy day," served up an elegant birthday supper over which they made merry until a late hour.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The Stars at Brainerd gave a "500" party Feb. 19th.

The Stars of Cokato gave a Heart social on the 28th.

The Stars at Stillwater, Minn., entertained their sisters from Hudson, Wis., Monday, 26th.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., will give one of its delightful afternoon card parties at the Temple, Saturday, 10th.

The Stars at Pipestone surprised their brethren of the Lodge by invading the lodge rooms after work, with lunch and cards.

The reception to Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S., to be given by Brother and Sister G. W. Dysinger, heretofore postponed because of sickness of sister Dysinger, will be held at their residence, 1037 Third street North, on Tuesday evening, March 20. Please note date.

Minneapolis No. 9's thimble bee will be held at the residence of the Worthy Matron, Mrs. Abbie Eells Reed, 17 North 15th street, between Laurel and Hawthorn avenues, Wednesday afternoon, March 7; all members of the order and their friends are cordially invited.

A School of Instruction for the Nineteenth District, Order of the Eastern Star was held at Mankato, February 23, Cereal Chapter No. 2, being the entertainers.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas the Worthy Grand Matron presided over the school in an able manner, and it is believed that much good to the Order wil result from this gathering.

Large delegations were present from Janesville and Lake Crystal, Windom, St. Peter, Alma City and Le Sueur were also well represented. The opening and closing ceremonies were given by Fern Chapter, of Lake Crystal and the work was exemplified by Cereal chapter of Mankato, the stereopticon views being used. The afternoon session was called off at six o'clock when an elegant dinner was served by Cereal chapter. Two beautiful selections for the good of the order which were furnished by Sister Thomas were read by Cora J. Fritz. The Grand Matron recited a poem entitled "The Little Black Ball", which should make every member of our order think before casting one.

The school closed at a late hour and was leclared a snccess by all present.

Members of Crookston Chapter No. 137, O. E. S., enjoyed one of the most pleasant meetings of the winter, Tuesday, Feb. 13; nearly every member residing in the city was present. At the close of the business session, a number of the members gave the Guiding Star and Floral offering which was one of the most beautiful pieces of work ever pnt before the chapter. Mrs. Love A. Braley, Associate Grand Conductress of the State, had charge of the work and it was a great success. At a meeting of the Grand Chapter in Minneapolis, Mrs. Braley saw this work put on by Mrs. Molyneaux, the author of the work, and her officers from Winnebago City, and realizing that there was sufficient talent here to carry it through, some time ago had the worthy matron select officers who conld give their time to it. They were all dressed in white wearing white flowers in their hair, and carrying flowers appropriate to the work.

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Sister Braley is a very enthusiastic and hard worker in the order. A vote of thanks was tendered her by the chapter at the close of the work, and she was highly complimented by every one present, upon the success and beauty of the work. It is the most elaborate that has ever been put on in this city, and was greatly appreciated by all who were present, which included: Sisters M. J. Tozer, Past Matron from Spooner, Wis., Spence, Past Matron from Superior, Wis., Marshall from Red Lake Falls and Montgomery from Angus, Minn.

At the close of the work a banquet was served. The whole affair was most delightful.—Margaret L. Brown, W. M.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 O. E. S. entertained a number of guests last Monday evening. The program under the direction of the worthy patron, Bro. Joseph H. Johnson, was a most enjoyable one. The first number was a piano solo by our chaplain and past worthy matron Pearl B. Marsh, who responded to an encore followed by a reading by sister Grace Hayward. Sister Hayward also responded to the hearty applause with an original poem. Bro. Lucker exhibited one of his finest phonographs rendering several excellent selections. Our worthy matron, sister Abbie Eells Reed, read a selection which was much appreciated for its timely advice to members of the order. A social hour followed after which the routine business of the chapter contiuued.

Palestine Social Club was royally entertained by Mrs. Mary E. Walker, Thursday afternoon. Thirty-two ladies were in attendance including the Worthy Grand Matron, Elizabeth Thomas, Grand Secretary Mary C. Taylor and the Grand Warder of the Grand Chapter Ida M. Brown.

A pleasant program of music, recitations, guessing contests, etc., was enjoyed after which refreshments were served.

Among those taking part in the program were Mrs. Clara LaValley, Mrs. Anna Fosmire, Mrs. Wm. Willing, Miss Florence M. Wing and Mrs. Mattie Frink.

Mrs. Mattie Ungerer will entertain the club in two weeks.

THE EASTERN STAR IN NOVA SCOTIA.

More than once during the year letters have been received, not exactly asking the privilege, but suggesting the advisability of establishing the Order of the Eastern Star in this Jurisdiction. By a very courteous communication received some months ago from the M. W. the Grand Matron, it appears that the head of the order on this side of the Atlantic is in the United States, and that while not directly connected with Masonry, its membership is confined to the mothers, wives and sisters of Freemasons. While I have not given, in fact have not been asked to give, any official utterance in connection with the establishment in Nova Scotia, still, considering the large number of Masonic institutions now in existence in our Proviuce, they necessarily make for support upon the liberality of our members, I have rather discountenanced than otherwise the starting of this order in our jurisdiction, at least at the present time. However, as this matter may come before you in some way I consider it my duty to refer to it, leaving Grand Lodge to decide what action, if any, should be taken in the matter.—Charles R. Smith, G. M.

Your committee agree with the remarks of the Grand Master on the inexpediency of introducing feminine bodies such as that of "The Order of the Eastern Star" into this jurisdiction, to be assimilated or in some manner connected with Masonry as it exists amongst us. We believe that the formation of these institutions would be of no benefit to Freemasonry.—Com. on G. M. address.

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Hutchinson is a candidate for the Masonic Home.

Superior, Wis., Masons will erect a temple this summer.

The Masons at Springfield, S. D. propose to erect a hall this summer.

Grand Commander Sanborn inspected Palestine Commandery No. 14, Fergus Falls, Feb. 27th.

Fairfax Lodge No. 261, Fairfax, Minn., was constituted by Past Grand Master Countryman, Feb. 24.

The Lodge at Two Harbors has purchased an organ and hereafter the candidates will step to music.

The Commandery at Rochester was inspected on the 23rd of Feb. and the order of the Temple conferred.

The Scottish Rite reunion at Langdon, N. D. last week was a marked success. There were sixty-three in the class.

The Scottish Rite Masons at Livingstone, Mont., closed their sixteenth annual Feb. 22, having advanced a class of twelve.

Bro. Wm. M. Shaver, P. G. M., and chairman of the corespondence committee, Grand Lodge of Kansas, has been pricked with the sting of Bro. Schultz, chairman of Maryland's committee, as witness the following from The What Cheer Trestle Board, published by S. Penrose Williams, Grand Secretary, Rhode Island.

Palestine Lodge No. 79, Duluth, at its thirty-sixth anniversary Feb. 21, admitted women to its banquet for the first time.

D. Burnham Tracy, of Detroit, Michigan, a well known Scottish Rite Mason, chaplain during the civil war, died Feb. 19.

Cuba has 57 Lodges in six provinces, viz: Pinar del Rio 3, Havana 27, Matanzas 4, Santa Clara 19, Camaguey 1, Oriente 3.

Alton B. Parker, P. M., of Kingston Lodge No. 10, N. Y., has been appointed Chief Commissioner of Appeals of the Grand Lodge of N. Y.

Junior Grand Warden Swan was in his element on Feb. 22, when his home Lodge, Stewart No. 229, entertained one hundred visiting brethren. Swan shines on an occasion of this kind.

Western Star Lodge No. 26, Albert Lea, Minn., conferred the third degree ou a number of candidates for Northern Light Lodge No. 266, at Northwood, Iowa, March 2.

Lew Wallace, General in the civil war, governor of New Mexico, Minister to Turkey and well known author petitioned Fountain Lodge No. 60, Covington, Ind., Nov. 6, 1850. The petition is in his own hand on common letter paper, states that his age is twenty-three years, his occupation a lawyer and is signed "Lew Wallace."

A worthy man and Mason, Thomas Sims, for four years Master of the Lodge at Bottineau, N. D. was given a reception by his lodge recently, which many members of neighboring lodges attended to do him honor; after the banquet Bro. Sims was called to the East and presented with a P. M. jewel. Served him right.

Judge Phineas Ayer, a prominent Mason and for many years Judge of Probate, Duluth, died there Feb. 27. He was born at Haverhill, N. H., May, 1830, graduated from Dartmouth college in 1852, studied law under Judge Bellows and was graduated from the Harvard law school in 1854. He practiced law in Boston many years, went to Chicago in 1872 and came to Duluth in 1883.

REVIEW OF PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND BODIES.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta, in session at Medicine Hat, Feb. 19-21, elected the following officers: Grand Master, O. W. Kealy, Medicine Hat; D. G. M., Rev. G. S. Hogbin, Calgary; grand senior warden, R. G. Mathews, Macleod; grand junior warden, J. McNabb, Lethbridge; grand treasurer, E. N. Brown, Calgary; grand secretary, J. J. Dunlop, Edmonton; grand registrar, C. H. Wade, Edmonton; grand chaplain, Rev. J. Hinchcliffe, Red Deer; grand tyler, R. H. Finch, Calgary.

Grand Chapter, R. A. M., Wisconsin, at its convocation Feb. 21, elected the following: Grand high priest, John Grimshaw, Elroy; depnty grand high priest, Thomas B. Hubbell, Beaver Dam; grand king, David Harlowe, Milwaukee; grand scribe, H. C. Dittmar, Fond du Lac; grand treasurer, David H. Wright, Madison; grand secretary, W. W. Perry, Milwaukee; grand chaplain, W. B. Thomas, La Crosse; grand lecturer, C. S. Stockwell, Neillsville; grand captain of the host, W. A. Weisse, Reedsburg; grand principal sojourner, A. P. Wyatt, Stevens Point; grand royal arch captain, W. M. Comstock, Oconto; graud master of the third veil, C. A. Calkins, Tomah; grand master of the second veil, S. S. Allen, Darlington; grand master of the first veil, W. A. Henwood, Madison; grand sentinel, John B. Cromwell, Milwaukee.

The Grand Chapter, O. E. S., Wisconsin, closed its annual session Feb. 22, with the installation of the following officers: Worthy grand matron, Mrs. Jessie N. Sutherland, Madison; patron, Judge Max Heck, Racine; associate matron, Mrs. Helen Monahan, Darlington; associate patron, Mrs. Jessie Bradley, Milwaukee; secretary, Mrs. Helen M. Laflin, Milwaukee; treasurer, Mrs. Lucile W. Parker; conductor, Mrs. Nina Glaser, Bloomington; associate conductor, Mrs. Gardner, Grand Rapids; trustee, Mrs. Irons, Tomah.

Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, fortieth annual, Sydney, June 14, 1905. Chartered Lodges 65, U. D. 1, initiated, 386, passed 368, raised 359, affiliated 69, re-instated 23, dimitted 78, died 50, missing 26, suspended N. P. D. 57, suspended un-Masonic conduct 3, whole number Master Masons 4417, gain 246. Grand Master promulgated

an order requiring that a person, unknown and not vouched for, desiring to visit a lodge in that jurisdiction, must present a certificate or diploma under the official seal of the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction from which he hails showing that he is a member, etc., otherwise he will not be admitted.

"Thomas J. Shryock, Grand Master of Masons in Maryland, is now serving his 21st term in that office. The chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Kansas took occasion to refer to this long term ts being in opposition to American custom, and intimated that our Maryland brethren are afflicted with "Anglomania." This called forth a reply from Brother Schultz, chairman of Maryland's Committee on Foreign Correspondence, in which he not only makes a strong defence of Maryland's course, but in turn severly arraigns some of the other Grand Lodges for acts done in contravention of the ancient laws and usages of Freemasonry. He says:

" 'Anglomania is defined 'as a mania for, or an inordinate attachment to English customs, institutions, etc.' We fail to see how this definition applies to our preference for retaining in ofice for as many years as may be expedient, a Grand Master who is found to possess in an eminent degree the capacity to advance the interests of Freemasonry, as against an undeviating practice of putting a new man into that ofifce every year as a matter of course.

"If the former method prevails in England also, it does credit to the good sense of our English brethren, but is not exclusively or necessarily 'English.' Moreover, all our knowledge of Freemasonry has been derived from England; therefore all our forms, usages and customs in everything relating to the Craft have more or less an Anglo-Saxon coloring. If we were to eliminate all that has been copied from English sources we would certainly destroy the ancient landmarks by making innovations in the body of Freemasonry.' "

The editor of the Observer has always opposed rotation in office becoming a rule, and can see no good reason why a capable official should not be retained longer than one year, and in fact believes Masonry is suffering from too frequent changes in the official roster.

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STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
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STATED.
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FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Khurum 112, Mas. Tem., 2d floor.
Summit 163 (St. P.),
Midway No. 185, St. Paul.
Plymouth Chapter 19, O. E. S., Mpls.
St. Paul Chapter O. E. S. No. 24, (St. Paul.)
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GLEANINGS.

"Der Pilger Lodge," London, working in the German language, was warranted Aug. 25, 1779. Its by-laws provide that the W. M., Wardens and other oficers shall be competent German scholars, and the membership shall only consist of those familiar with that language. One of its by-laws declares that no brother shall be qualified for election as a joining member until he has been received as a visitor at the banquet, so as to obtain a knowledge of the intended member.

A code of laws includes the following:

Worship the Grand Architect of the Universe—Love your neighbor—Do no wrong—Do good—Keep you soul in purity, that you may be prepared at any time to appear before the Grand Architect, Who is God. Love the righteous, pity the weak, shun the wicked, but hate no one. Speak calmly with the great, prudently with your equals, sincerely with your friends, tenderly with the little ones, and gently with the poor. Always listen to the voice of your conscience. Be a father to the poor. Respect the stranger, assist him, his person be sacred to you. Respect women; never take advantage of their weakness, and die rather than dishonor them. Be not ashamed of your station in life, that is pride; know that it is not the place that honors or dishonors, but the manner in which it is filled.

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At the assault on the Redan, an English officer—Capt. Douglas Moore—led a small body of men to the capture of a heavy gun placed in a recess of the fortress. They were met by a withering fire of musketry from the Russians, and as they came upon the platform where the gun was fixed they were struck by a storm of leaden death that literally swept everything before it. A large body of Russian infantry had been sheltered by an intervening curtain, and having poured in the ir tempest of fire and leaden ball, they rushed on with charged bayonets.

Moore had been left absolutely alone in that spot. Every man he had led to the gun had fallen, and he had received a bullet in the left shoulder; but he was upon his feet. There was but a single instant between him and death. A score of gleaming bayonets were leveled against him, each aimed to pierce him through and through.

It was an awful moment—not awful with fear, but the scene, the occasion, the dead and the dying all about him—and now he could only await the coming of a death which it would seem no power could avert. At that instant he caught sight of a glittering jewel—a Masonic charm—dangling upon the watch chain of the officer who commanded the Russian host. Without a thought, upon the impulse of the moment, Moore gave utterance to a quick, earnest wail—he was a widow's son for the instant—and, as he cried out, he sprang aside, and put forth his hand. The Russian caught it—like a flash a strong grip was exchanged. With a loud shout the Russian commandant struck up the bayonets of his soldiers; and quickly thereafter led the Englishman out from danger, and found for him a place of rest and a skillful nurse to care for his wound. And from that time until Moore was exchanged, and sent on his homeward way rejoicing, he was treated with true Masonic care and kindness.

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A lodge which was held during the war in the field. It was held on Folly Island, S. C., and had its charter and special dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Indiana. There were in camp on the island the Thirteenth Indiana Infatry and the One Hundred and Twelfth and One Hundred and Sixty-ninth New York Infantry. Soon after the First New York Independent Engineers moved down, and they built a rustic Masonic Temple. The altar and chairs and furniture were made of the wood of the island, and some of the furniture made of the natural twist and bend of the wood was unique. The floor was covered with what is known as pine needles, and the mosaic carpet was a tent fly, on which squares were painted. The globes at the entrance of the temple were 15-inch mortar shells, and they rested on two sawed- off palm trees. —New York Sun.

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"I was present at a meeting of a Grand Lodge that was held in the woods of Texas. The floor was the sand. There was but one globe, and that was the sun. And the strangest part of all was that the men who formed that comunication were Confederates and Federals. I place the Confederates first because they were holding the stockade in which several thousand Federals were prisoners. It was in the Red River country. We had a lot of clever Yanks in that stockade, and they were nearly all intelligent. Many were of the first enlistment. It was funny how the stockade, sentry and prisoner, built up a brotherhood unlike anything, I reckon, that happened during the war. I was a high roller in my lodge at home, and as I was close to the commander of the stockade, who was away up in Scottish Rite, I had important functions in the lodge of the wilderness. Gentlemen, you couldn't have made that stockade fight one another after that if Lee and Grant had gone there in person and ordered it. I have heard and read a good many stories about when and where the war closed. That part of the war which had been waged in and about that section of which I have told you closed when that Grand Lodge met. It was in the last few months of the struggle, anyway."—New York Sun.

CAPITULAR MASONRY.

As a distinct system of Masonic work and teachings, nothing can excel capitular Masonry, whether we consider the uniformity, beauty and stateliness of its ritual, or the value of the lessons it conveys; and, too, I may add, I think, that of all the Masonic bodies, none has a stronger hold on the zeal, fidelity and attachment of its members. Indeed, why should it be otherwise? For as capitular Masonry has a distinct ritual of its own, so does it suggest in its several degrees distinct lessons to all who have eyes to see and ears to hear, and minds to appropriate, and hearts to feel. These lessons in no wise conflict with what we were taught in the preceding degrees; indeed, much that is shadowed forth in the blue lodge is explicitly taught in the chapter. I am now thinking of that mysterious word, of which after all experience we receive only the substitute in the master's degree, and which we find in reality in the chapter, though that of itself has a far-reaching and profound significance.—Pierre Cushing.

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Masons at Leeds, N. D., assisted by brethren from several towns, dedicated their hall and held interesting services Feb. 22. W. L. Stockwell, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and P. G. M., delivered an address, from which we quote:

"We are told that in beginning our order its principles date away back to a time when men were engaged in building a temple to the Creator, that our institution has come down through the ages dating back to the days of Solomon of Israel. We know that it hundred years. We know that the dates back at least two or three great lodge of England was organized in the latter part of the sixteenth century, and from that time on it has set forth the same principles. We do not claim that the Masonic institution is the only one that exists or has existed and whether existing Masonry bears any relation to the order which existed back there in the days of Solomon, King of Israel, may be in doubt. We do not doubt, however, that these men who worked at the building of King Solomon's temple were actuated by the higher motives of our order; that the temple, the splendid edifice erected at that time was the result of those men working on the principle of brotherhood and that principle is the fundamental principle upon which this institution exists. I do not want any one to think that the institution of fraternal Masonry is in any way a substitute for the church. It is not. You might say there is no relation between the Masonic order and the church as such. We meet here as men, we meet here with the holy bible as light in Masonry. We are guided by that light, but the fact that we meet here with the holy bible open before us does not say we stand for the church. It is an order founded upon the principles of religion, but an order which is devoted largely to the furthering of the principles of brotherhood, an order which desires to promote friendship and the brotherhood of love among the men who are united in the order. If you will pardon me for just a moment I would like to dwell upon those relations known as friendship.

"Friendship is a word which is well known to us all. Friendship is something that is deep and everlasting. It is something which draws us together and which lasts for all time, unless, perchance, it ceases through some act of ingratitude or injustice on the part of one or the other of the parties interested therein. We are apt sometimes to see men drawn to each other during the time of prosperity when sailing is smooth and there are no breakers ahead, but in the times of adversity and when trouble comes the friendship ceases. That in my judgment is not true friendship. True friendship is something that takes hold of men and holds them together in a bond which cannot be broken unless, as I say, something of great importance comes in to interfere. We are told that the best friends are those who tell us of our faults and help us to mend them. I know of no better definition of friendship than that. Here within the home of the Masonic order we can best show our friendship for our brethren by carrying out that principle. If we see a brother who is erring or straying from the path of morality or recitude, do not allow him to go on; say to him, 'Brother, you are in the path of error, and it is my duty as a brother and a friend to assist you back to the path of morality, rectitude and virtue.'

"Friendship, then, my friends, is one of the principal tenets of our order, morality is the second, and we as Masons in the order are taught again and again that it is one of the essential things we should exemplify in our lives—the highest type of moral conduct. It should be exemplified in our conduct to our family, in our conduct as members of society and toward all things that pertain to the best principles of society."

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Masons may belie the teachings of Masonry—yet Masonry still rings clear and true, that rite whose very breath of life is love of God, and whose purpose of existence is love to one's brother—is impregnable as diety and beautiful as charity. It glows with the radiance of its great lights, as the span of the firmament does with the matchless glory of its resplendent sun. The good book tells us to stand in the light of its truth—that our deeds may be made manifest; so does Masonry bid you stand fair and square in her light, that your deeds may be equally manifest that they are wrought in openness and rectitude—and will bear the scrutiny of men and God.—Rev. Hubbard.

Captain John Pengilly of Northfield, Minn., died of pneumonia in Arizona, March 6; he was a well known mining man of Superior region, and a prominent member of the Masonic fraternity.

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A Chapter, O. E. S., is to be established at Westhope, N. D.

Worthy Grand Matron Thomas has returned from a series of successful meetings with chapters of the O. E. S.

Retiring Worthy Grand Matron Yerkes, Wis., was presented a handsome diamond set jewel of the Order.

The Janesville Argus says that Grand Worthy Matron Thomas' speech at the recent meeting of Alma City Chapter was a grand one.

Lorraine Social Club will meet with Mrs. May Haas, 803 Penn Ave. N., Tuesday afternoon, March 13. Members and their friends cordially welcomed.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16 will confer the degrees on a large class at the regular meeting, March 19. Refreshments will be served. Members of the Chapter and of the Order, and friends, cordially invited.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, O. E. S., will give a card and dancing party Saturday night, March 17; cards in the library room and dancing in the K. P. hall. All members and friends cordially invited. Tickets, 25 cents each.

Carrie W. McCauley, Worthy Grand Matron, 1901-1902, is at the Northwestern Hospital, Minneapolis, where she underwent a surgical operation last Wednesday. She is now probably sufficiently recovered to receive visits from her Sisters, and will be well pleased to see them.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., will have a box social Monday night, 12th. Ladies will bring lunch for two, to be served at 10 o'clock. Special election for Conductress, Monday, March 20.

Immediately following the regular meeting, which will be brief, Tuesday night, March 13, **Harmony Chapter No. 8**, O. E. S., will give an informal social program of music, cards and light refreshments, at Masonic Hall, 20—22 University Ave. S. E.

Monday evening, March 12, will be the next regular meeting of No. 9. A program will be given and refreshments will be served. These programs are becoming a most successful feature in No. 9, a full atendance and revival of interest being the natural result. All members of the Order will find No. 9's latchstring out.—Corespondent.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 held its banner thimble bee of this year at the home of the Worthy Matron, Abbie Eells Reed, last Wednesday afternoon, with an attendance of sixty-three. A delightful musical program was rendered; among the numbers were duets by Mrs. Reed and daughter and solos by Sister Pearl B. Marsh. The guessing contest resulted in Sister Nellie Krebs receiving first prize for guessing the nearest to the exact number of candies in the jar. Sister Luna Hines won the second prize and Brother J. H. Johnson won the head gentlemau's prize. The hostess provided table linen for the idle ones to hem, and a hemming contest resulted, Mrs. Wise receiving the first prize for being the first to finish a napkin. A most delightful afternoon was spent. Ices and wafers were served. Next Wednesday evening, March 14, Mrs. Botilla Smith and Miss Elberg, 63 West Island Ave., will entertain at cards for the Chapter and friends. Tuesday evening, March 20, will occur the reception for the Chapter at the home of Brother and Sister Geo. W. Dysinger, 1037 Third St. North. Wednesday afternoon, March 21, Sister Arthur M. Smith, 714 Eighth St. South, will entertain the next thimble bee.

Masonic honors are highly regarded by the Craft, and to seek to fill positions of prominence in the Fraternity is considered a laudable ambition. And yet not all can be leaders. There is yeoman work to do, and there must be a thousand soldiers in the ranks to one general on horseback. The soldier is quite as important in his place as the general in his.—Mas. Sun.

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Aad Temple, Duluth, will hold a ceremonial session April 13.

Geo. Kingsbury, Grand Scribe, Grand Chapter, Mich., died Feb. 27.

Langdon, N. D., now has a Rose Croix Chapter, the second in the state.

Scottish Rite Masons at Duluth will hold a reunion, commencing April 10.

Masons at Sauk Center, Minn., entertained with cards and dancing Feb, 22.

Twelve Masons at Plains, Mont., will ask for a dispensation to form a lodge.

Dalles Lodge, Cloquet, Minn., celebrated its eighteenth anniversary with an entertainment at the Opera House.

Temple Commandery No. 12 was constituted at Dickinson, N. D., March 5.

Royal Arch Masons of Marquette, Mich., will organize a council of Royal and Select Masters.

William H. Phillips, Grand Master in Michigan in 1894, died at Menominee, Mich., Feb. 13, 1906.

A hatchet with name on the handle and a cluster of cherries designated the place each was to occupy at the Masonic banquet at Waseca, Minn., Feb. 22.

El Kahir Temple, Mystic Shrine, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, will hold a ceremonial session March 14th.

Ravenswood Lodge, Chicago, recently held a "members' night," all work being done by members who had never held office.

The county auditor of Martin County has been instructed by the commissioners to invite the Grand Lodge to lay the corner stone of the court house at Fairmont, and to invite Governor Johnson to deliver an address.

By a fire at Madison, S. D., originating in the basement of the Masonic Temple Block, March 3, the third story of which was owned by the Masonic bodies, the Masonic hall and all the furniture and fixtures were entirely lost, the records only being saved.

It pays to verify information. Some time since the Observer was induced to say that the first Masonic Temple in America was erected at Richmond, Va., about 1785. Now comes W. Bro. W. J. Allen, of Brooklyn, N. Y., a reliable authority and a reader of the Observer, and informs us that the first Masonic Temple (building devoted to Masonry) was erected in Philadelphia in 1754, on the south side of Norris Alley (now Lodge Alley), near Second Street.

At the recent reunion meeting of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 letters of greeting and good cheer were received from members of the lodge living without the city as follows: O. H. Potter, Duluth; Gus Nelson, Unatilla, Oregon; J. M. Wennesen, Calumet, Mich.; Bart and John M. Stephenson, Bremerton, Wash.; Joseph Smith, Chicago; H. S. West, St. Louis; A. B. Califf, Estelline, S. D.; C. J. Stockdale, Milwaukee; F. W. Arnold, Denver; Geo. E. Cessford, Mitchell, S. D.; H. W. Williams, Chicago; E. L. Warren, Forsythe, Mont.; W. M. Newhall, Wayzata, Minn.; F. J. Scott, Chicago; G. G. McCurdy, South Berkeley, Cal.; J. P. Jones, Montevideo, Minn.; H. A. Oyen, Everett, Wash. Letters of greeting and regret were received also from brothers living in the city who could not be present.

A pretty little poem was contributed and read by Brother Adolph Ousdahl, now living at Brainerd, Minn., who made the journey from that city to Minneapolis solely to attend the reunion meeting of his lodge.

Roll Call.

By Adolph Ousdahl.

Pleasant is it in our lodge room,
Here to listen to the call
Of the names of Brother Masons,
On the level, one and all.

After years of separation,
Just to hear the answers "Here,"
In our tiled and cherished lodge room,
On this evening of good cheer.

At the Lodge beyond the river,
May we answer, one and all.
At the "roll call" of the Master,
May we answer one and all.

In the presence of His splendor
We as Masons must respond,
To His calling, calling yonder,
At the Grand Lodge just beyond.

When we leave this life of mortals
For the blessed Lodge beyond,
May it be said at the portal,
Well done, Brother, hail, well done.

If the symbolism of life terminates with the third degree; if all its ceremonies or so arranged as to bring to us only the great lesson of death, and after it the reusrrection, it follows that no travel for which it prepares the candidate can have any reference to the present life. The Master receives the great teachings of that sumlime degree, with all is symbolic embellishments of death and a resurrection, to fit him for a journey into that unknown country, for which all life is but a preparation. It is scarcely needed, if all this is admitted, to say what are the wages to which he looks as the reward of his labors. If heaven be the "foreign country" on which the Mason is to enter, then the wages he must seek will he those appropriate to a denizen of that celestial region. If "the wages of sin is death," then the wages of virtue must be eternal life. Death and life—darkness and light—error and truth—are the antagonistic principles which are ever before each man, and of these he must choose. The Word, in Masonry, is symbolic of this life, and light and truth; and these are to constitute the wages of the Master Mason, who, having built his first temple of mortal and fading life here below, travels into that foreign country beyond the skies, where his em-

ployment will be to erect a second temple of immortal life, whose capstone is eternal truth.—Mackey.

In his address to the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, just closed, Grand Master Thomas B. Franklin, speaking of the time immediately following the Civil War, said: "The country was just emerging from a period when the bloody hand of war had laid desolate our beloved State, and many of our Lodges were homeless, and our people sat around fire sides where there was no roof tree. Never before had there been such an opportunity for Masonry to exercise its grand and benign purpose, and to aid in the great work of binding up and staunching the wounds, which rended the very hearts of our people and filled them with anguish, for not only poverty stared them in the face, but there was a greater calamity with which the people had to contend, that of internal dissension and the bitterness of defeat. To bring order out of confusion, and to stay the angry passions of men, seemed to be a task far beyond the powers of man, and called for the unselfish and persistent efforts of our wisest and best. It is greatly to the praise of Masonry, for the part which it took in that memorable struggle was excelled by no other human agency.

"It is indeed a marvelous thing that our Lodges were not totally annihilated, and that any of them were able to rekindle the fires upon their Altars, but the guiding hand of God was in this work, and the still small voice went forth from the Lodge room saying, 'Peace be still; keep down thine angry passions.' And before the smoke of the battle had rolled away, Masonry had resumed its work and the gospel of peace was being preached by Masons."

Masons, as a class are reasonable men. They are men of intelligence. They possess a large amount of good common sense, and hence, as a rule, are pleasant men to do business with. They have been taught to act upon the square in their dealings with each other and with all mankind. "To do unto others as ye would be done by," they have learned as a Masonic precept. In fact, all the teachings of Masonry have a tendency to make men deal honestly, fairly and courteously with each other, and Masons, as a class, observe and practice the lessons they have received.—Mas. Advocate.

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Palestine Chap. O. E. S. No. 112, Mas. Tem.
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STATED.
Minnehaha 165, 1535 E. Lake.
Palmyra Chap. 55 (St. Paul.)
Zion Commandery No. 2, Mas. Tem., 6 floor.
Annual Election.
Harmony Chapter No. 8, O. E. S. (Mpls)
Carmel Chap. 127, O. E. S. (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
Minnesota No. 224, Mpls.
Work in F. C. degree.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Hennepin No. 4, Mas. Tem.
Work in E. A. degree.
Osman Temple, N. M. S., (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
Minneapolis M't'd Commandery, No. 23.
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Zion Commandery, No. 2 K. T. (Mpls).
Work in Red Cross degree.
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THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Braden No. 168, St. Paul.
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STATED.
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ZION COMMANDERY NO.2, K. T.

Annual Conclave.

That the Templar year now closing has been a banner year for Zion No. 2, morally, socially, financially and numerically, was patent to all who were in attendance at the annual assembly last Tuesday night and witnessed the unusual proficiency in the work of the opening ceremonies and listened to the address of the Eminent Commander and reports of the Recorder and Treasurer. A careful scanning of the roster shows that the accessions have been carefully chosen from among those who have the confidence and esteem of their fellows and who have already learned those lessons of faith, patience, courage and constancy necessary to him who would imitate the virtues of the great Captain of our Salvation. We believe that the beautiful lessons of our ritual will not be lost upon such.

There was a large attendance and the opening was in full form and participated in by an unusually large number.

Membership.

The report of Recorder, C. E. Ovenshire, shows the following statistics as to members:

Membership last report, 521; Knighted, 47; admitted, 14; restored, 1; total, 583; died, 7; demitted, 10; stricken from roll, 4; total, 21; net gain, 41; total membership, 562.

Several petitions were received and referred and several petitioners were elected to membership and to receive the orders. The address of Eminent Commander Lucius F. Foote was well received, and by a unanimous vote ordered to be published in the Masonic Observer, and a copy mailed to each member.

Election.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Henry Hahn, Commander; George W. Critten, Generalissimo; Eugene R. Haseltine, Captain General; Martin O. Gabriel, Senior Warden; James H. Werring, Junior Warden; Rev. Charles H. Sharpe, Prelate; William M. Walker, Treasurer; Charles E. Ovenshire, Recorder. Due notice of installation will be given.



LUCIUS F. FOOTE.
Eminent Commander Zion Commandery No. 2, K. T.

ADDRESS OF COMMANDER

Lucius F. Foote.

To the Officers and Members of Zion Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar:

My dear Fraters.—Following the usual custom of Commanders of this Commandery, I have the honor of submitting this my report for the year ending March 13, 1906.

I must confess to a certain degree of sorrow in saying good bye to you as your Commander. It has been an honor to preside over this splendid body of Sir Knights, and as I ap-

proached this position through the various subordinate chairs each step but added to my senso of unfitness for this high office, and to-day I feel that whatever profit, moral or financial, has resulted from the year's work can be attributed to the splendid loyalty and support of my officers and the members of this Commandery.

We have had, from the point of labor, a strenuous year; many social meetings and unusually large classes; this has required late hours, but I have yet to hear a word of complaint from my officers, and I believe they have never been absent except detained by "natural infirmities or unavoidable accidents." The appointive officers have done almost as well as the elective officers, and I can see why the latter might feel that among so many able Knights a substitute might easily be found for the office of Hermit or Guard, but I am persuaded that for prompt and effective work there is nothing comparable to regular officers in regular attendance, and in consequence think that the Hermit, Guard and other subordinate officers, are of quite as much importance as the Em. Commander, and I can express no better wish for my successor than the hope that he will receive the same loyal support from his officers that I have had from mine, and I wish to express my gratitude to them for their attention to duty.

Attendance.

We are to be congratulated upon the increased attendance during the past year, upon all of our conclaves, regular and special, and still I feel that our members should be so earnest and faithful that in a Commandery of almost 600 members not a seat should be vacant at any of our conclaves.

The work naturally attracts the fraters at our specials, but a large number neglect the regular conclaves. I could wish it were different, for it is here we spend the money of the Commandery and formulate plans for further expenditure. This and the other important matters coming up at our regular meetings should receive the same careful attention that we give to our own private affairs, and I hope the fraters will come out and attend to, and assist in, this important business side of Templarism.

Social.

The social feature that has been infused into our Templar life during the past few years is especially worthy of our fostering care and attention; the bringing of our families together, getting better acquainted, and thus becoming possessed of more personal interest in the lives and welfare of our fraters and their families is worthy of our constant endeavor.

The dancing and card parties have been well attended this winter, and it has been pleasing to your Commander to see that a much larger number of Sir Knights have been in attendance than formerly. It has been a matter of considerable regret to me that we have been obliged to omit our annual "Ladies' Night," but with the numerous conclaves, and the superadded work of preparation for the Festival of Malta, it has seemed a simple, physical impossibility, to indulge ourselves in this, always delightful, annual function in honor of our ladies.

Membership.

The earnest, faithful and splendid work of my officers, with the added interest aroused by our parties, has been largely instrumental in creating an enthusiasm in our Commandery that has resulted in making this the banner year in the history of Zion. We have conferred the order upon 47 candidates to date, have received by demit 14, and restored one, making a total of 62. We have one more class, the number of which can not be known at this time, and which will only appear in the reports to the Grand Commandery, which will increase this number to some extent.

Financial Results.

By this activity the financial condition of the Commandery has been very materially improved, and it is with a good deal of pride that I am able to report to-night the payment in full for Masonic Temple stock purchased; in addition, we have been able to pay all our bills as they became due, added somewhat to our paraphernalia, and leave a handsome balance in the treasury. Permit me to congratulate you upon this splendid showing.

Moral Results.

If we could be satisfied with financial success we would indeed be satisfied with the past year, but to have reached a full and perfect fulfillment of the true objects of our order, we must have accomplished something more essential to the future and eternal welfare of our members. If we have failed to hold up before our newly created fraters a true picture of the Great Captain of our Salvation, if we have gone through the beautiful ceremonies of our order in a shiftless, uninterested and meaningless manner, if we have failed to offer the Saviour of the world to these "poor and weary pilgrims" as the only means to their eternal salvation, and have not fully taught them the beautiful lesson of that divine life from Bethany to Golgotha, we have signally failed in the objects of Templarism; but I am sure the dignified earnestness with which the officers of this commandery have done their work can but have impressed our candidates with the thought that it was a faithful reflection of our belief in the truths taught thereby. And right here I desire to express my appreciation of the magnificent and impressive work of our Excellent Prelate, Rev. Sir Knight C. L. Sharpe, always present, many times at great inconvenience to himself, he has given the beautiful work of his office in a manner second to none and alike creditable to himself and Zion Commandery.

Death.

"We know when moons shall wane,
When summer birds from far shall cross the sea,
When autumn's hue shall tint the golden grain,
But who shall teach us when to look for thee.

During the past year we have lost by death seven Sir Knights.

Robert E. Williams, died March 17, 1905; he was constituted August 22 and dubbed September 20, 1889.

Charles A. Horn, died May 13, 1905; affiliated February 11, 1873; burial by Zion Commandery.

Martin Whitcomb, died October 10, 1905; constituted and dubbed August 12, 1898.

F. H. Barnard, died November 28, 1905; constituted October 17, and dubbed December 28, 1898.

W. H. Jacoby, died Jan 31, 1906; constituted September 21, and dubbed November 2, 1882; burial by Zion Commandery.

O. C. Post, died December 28, 1905; constituted June 2, and dubbed June 26,, 1890.

Harry E. Gedney, died March 6, 1906; constituted and dubbed May 17, 1900.

We have faith to believe they have "received from His hand the Crown of Victory", while they exclaim "Non Nobis Domini Non Nobis sed Nomini tuo da Gloriam."

Thanks personal and general.

I cannot close without giving voice to my feelings of gratitude for the

ever ready helpfulness and encouragement given me by our beloved Recorder, Eminent Sir Kt. C. E. Ovenshire, always ready for duty, performing that duty faithfully and promptly; I desire to make this public acknowledgment of my appreciation of his many courteous and kindly acts.

To our Treasurer, Sir Kt. Wm. M. Walker, who is ever guarding with jealous care the "Strong Box" of Zion, I also desire to make acknowledgment for his faithfulness, courtesy, and Knightly assistance.

Shut away from us by reason of his especial duties, is one whom we all love. I often find myself thinking of the homesick feeling I should have if I should ever come to the meetings of this Commandery and know that another was in the Lantern room and Horace would never return. Sometimes when the difficulties of Commander of this Commandery have thickened about me and I have been ready to lose faith in some Frater it was this splendid man and brother, Sir Knight Horace M. Myers, who brought me into line with the admonition "Never lose faith in humanity". What he has been to Masonary in this community, what he has done for individual Masons will never be known, except to himself and our Great Commander. What he has been to Zion Commandery and to me during the past year I do know, and I could not complete my work without expressing my love for him and thankfulness and gratitude for all his helpfulness. Upon more than two thirds of all the petitions to this Commandery during the past year, the names of one and often two of these three Sir Knights appear, and it is to such earnestness and effort that Zion Commandery No. 2 ranks second in point of membership west of the Mississippi, and there are but few that outrank us in the world. To these Sir Knights, and to those who by personal effort have added to the membership of Zion, the thanks of this Commandery and its Commander are due.

In the preparation for the work of the different orders there is a vast amount of detail; the Tents, the Robes, Swords, Triangle, Council Hall and Prelate's appartments; some one must look after these. Have you ever found they were not in readiness? I have not; and this proves the value of our Sentinel. I have never asked Sir Knight E. J. Hodges to perform a task that seemed too hard for him, and he has always performed these with the utmost willingness and courtesy, and I wish to thank him for his efficiency and kindness.

And now my dear Sir Knights, for the many courtesies shown me, for all your faithfulness, I thank you. If I could feel that each of you had ended the year with the same fraternal regard for me that I have for you t should be satisfied. In the busy days I may have seemed to be neglectful of some of your desires; I may have said or done something to hurt your feelings; if so, I hope you will overlook it and lay it to my head and not my heart. I appreciate the honor you conferred upon me one year ago; I have tried to govern with justice and moderation; and I love you all and the truths taught by our beloved order.

For—

"There lies in the center of each man's heart
A longing and love for the good and pure;
And if but an atom, or larger part,
I tell you this shall endure, endure
After the body has gone to decay,
Yea, after the universe passes away.

The longer I live and the more I see
Of the struggle of souls to the heights above,
The stronger this truth comes home to me,
That the universe rests on the shoulders of love;
A love so limitless, deep and broad
That men have renamed it and called it God.

And nothing that ever was born or evolved,
Nothing created by light or force,
But deep in its system there lies dissolved
A shining drop from the great love source;
A shining drop that shall live for aye,
Though kingdoms may perish and stars decay."

And so, tonight, if there is one sentiment in my heart for Zion Commandery, and for you, stronger than another, it is expressed by the Psalmist in the 122d. Psalm, where he says "Peace be within thy gates and prosperity within thy Palaces, for my bretheren and companions sake again I say peace be within thee."

Zion Commandery No. 2, conferred the Red Cross on seven last Wednesday and the Order of the Temple on ten, Saturday.

A Subscriber? If not, why?

Lucius F. Foote, who greets you from our first page, a well known practicing physician of Minneapolis, is best known to Masons as the Eminent Commander of Zion Commandery No. 2, which in conjunction with Darius Commandery No. 7. will this week give the Templar world a rare treat in the great Malta Festival which occurs Friday, March 23.

Sir Knight Foote comes of purely American stock. The families of his father (Rev. Hiram Foote) and mother (whose maiden name was Becker) came to America in 1628. In 1838 his parents came to the "far west" and settled at Janesville, Rock County, Wisconsin, where the subject of our sketch was born. He attended the public schools of that state, finishing his classical studies at Carroll College. While working as an Apothecary he chose medicine for a profession and entered upon his studies at the Northern Hospital for Insane and Illinois Hospital for Insane; matriculated at Northwestern University and graduated from its medical department in 1877. He then engaged in general practice until called to the treatment of the insane by the Governor of Illinois, as assistant superintendent of one of the Hospitals of that state. Coming to Minneapolis six years ago he immediately engaged in general practice.

Sir Knight Foot was made a Mason in Cherry Valley Lodge No. 176, Cherry Valley, received the Capitular degrees in Kiswaukee Chapter No. 90, Belvidere and the Orders of Knighthood, the Red Cross, Oct. 9, Order of the Temple, Oct. 23, 1899, in Crusader Commandery No. 17, Rockford, all under the jurisdiction of Illinois. After coming to Minneapolis he affilliated with Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, Ark Chapter No. 53 and Zion Commandery No. 2, of which bodies he is now a member. He served Zion as Warder, Junior Warden, Senior Warden, Generalissimo and Eminent Commander, successively, retiring from the latter office this month after one of the most successful years Zion has had.

Ascalon Commandery No. 16, Brainerd, at its annual, March 6, elected and installed officers and voted to attend Easter services at St. Paul's Episcopal church, Sunday, April 15.

Alpha Council No. 8, R. & S. M., Fergus Falls, Minn., will hold a special assembly, Wednesday, March 21, at which it will confer the degrees on a class of twenty.

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St. George Lodge No. 16, Warren, Maine, celebrated its centinnial March 10.

Slayton Masons assisted their brethren at Currie in conferring the third degree recently.

In the Connecticut Masonic home there are one boy, thirty-nine men and twenty-five women.

Ben Franklin Lodge No. 114, Luverne, gave an "at home" to its members and families on the 15th.

There are at present seventy-four aged members of the craft in the Masonic home in Philadelphia.

Mount Zion No. 6, Springfield, one of the oldest lodges in South Dakota, will erect a Masonic Hall this year.

The grand lodge of Indian Territory has a fund of about $100,000 and will erect an orphans' home within a short time.

The Masonic Bodies of Winona, Minn., have decided to erect a $50,000 Temple this year; Chicago architects are being consulted.

De Smet Lodge No. 55, South Dakota, made a gala occasion of the conferring of the Master Mason degree upon Circuit Judge C. S. Whitting, recently; lodges at Arlington, Hetland, Lake Preston, Oldham and Iroquois were largely represented. Having long known the Judge we can vouch for his worth.

On an ideal location in Greenville, S. C., the craft of that city will build a three story brick Masonic temple, costing approximately $60,000.

New Masonic temples are to be erected in San Jose, Cal.; Lagrange, Me.; Ocean Park, Cal.; Knoxville, Tenn.; Speer, Ill., and Boise City, Ida.

Faribault Commandery No. 8, Minn., has accepted the invitation of Rev. S. M. Hayes of St. John's, Northfield, to attend Easter services at his church.

Reports presented at the recent session of the Grand Royal Arch chapter of Massachusetts showed a total membership in the jurisdiction of 18,562, a net gain of 509 for the past year.

KNIGHT TEMPLAR BULLETIN.

Monday, 19th. Malta rehearsal for all participating Sir Knights of Zion and Darius Commanderies, at Masonic Temple, evening.

Tuesday, 20th. Darius will confer the Order of the Temple.

Wednesday, 21st. Zion, drill for inspection, 7:30. Darius, drill and rehearsal, 7:30.

Thursday, 22d. Zion and Darius, Full dress Malta rehearsal, Masonic Temple, 7:30.

Friday, 23d. Zion and Darius, annual inspection by Past Grand Commanders George W. Buck and William E. Richardson, 8th. floor Masonic Temple, 3 p. m. Malta Festival, 7 p. m.

Malta Festival Notes.

The full uniform of a Knight Templar is prerequisite to admission.

Sir Knights must have the Countersign and Identification card; they can be obtained at room 215 Masonic Temple between 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m..

Twenty-three jurisdictions were represented by 1200 Knights at the Festival of 1897; the hall will accommodate twice that number.

Past Commander J. B. Hingeley will have direction of the work which assures its success.

The Grand Commandery will be present and participate.

Music will be a great feature: Sopranos—Miss Clara Williams, Mrs. E. B. Hawkins, Mrs. G. Blymer, Miss Corrinne Frank; Altos—Mrs. B. Thompson, Miss Mabel Otis, Miss Theresa Bunton. Tenors—W. B. Heath, E. P. Browning, H. A. Stuart. Bass—Frank B. Forbes, G. H. Lugsdin, J. Ravenscroft. Organist and Director—S. C. Gilbert. No less than 150 views will be displayed during the work and lectures.

Editor of the Observer:

I read in the **Observer** with some interest, the item about "Der Pilger" Lodge in London, that works in the German language, and I thought you might be interested to learn that we have two such lodges in Michigan—Schiller Lodge in Detroit and Germania Lodge in Saginaw. Their ritual is a very close translation of the Michigan work and is sanctioned by the Grand Lodge of Michigan. But our Lodge No. 66 enjoys the unique distinction of being the only English lodge in the world (I think) that ever conferred a degree in the German or any other foreign tongue. I had the honor of presiding in the East and with the assistance of several German brothers in the other offices, I conferred the first degree on a German candidate, whose acquaintance with English was quite limited. He got a much better impression of the foundation principles of Masonry in his mother tongue than he could have done in English. We invited the Master of Schiller Lodge to be present and deliver the lectures at the close. After the conferring of the degree, we had a banquet in the shape of a "Dutch lunch," at which we invited the chorus choir of the "Liederkranz," who rendered "Die Wacht am Rhein" and other German selections. This was on the evening of August 30, 1905.

It was a fine treat to the German brethren and many of the English, who with a little knowledge of the German and their familiarity with the English work could follow it intelligently.

Fraternally Yours,
Lewis M. Miller.

A striking illustration of the conciliating power of Masonry is furnished by the case of General Newton M. Curtis, the "hero of Fort Fisher." General Curtis was a Mason, having received the degrees of the Lodge and Chapter at his home in Ogdensburg before the war. During the trying days of reconstruction he was in command of the Department of Southwestern Virginia, with headquarters at Lynchburg. Instead of making himself odious to the vanquished people, he won their respect and regard to such an extent that the members of De Molay Commandery of that city conferred upon him the Orders of Knighthood. General Curtis still retains his membership in the Commandery.—Masonic Standard.

RESOLUTIONS

On The Death of Jerome C. Townsend, Who Died Jan. 15, 1906, at 47 Years of Age.

Minneapolis, Minn., March 3., 1906.

Whereas, Almighty God, Architect and Overseer of the countless myriads of celestial spheres, filling our boundless universe; has, in accordance with his omnicient will, seen fit to dissolve the physical frame of our co-worker and friend, Jerome Calvin Townsend, and,

Whereas, By the death of this man, Branch No. 9, National Association of Letter Carriers, feels that it has met with a loss which cannot be replaced; and

Whereas, Owing to this man's remarkable insight into the realm of Justice, we had a fellow-laborer who deserved not an enemy in the whole world and of whom, without flattery or exaggeration, it can be truly said that he was one among ten thousand; therefore be it

Resolved, That we approve of the following sentiment which was read at the funeral of and

In Memory of J. C. Townsend.

"Another grief has stilled our joys this day;
Another brother from our midst has gone;
We gaze out o'er the dark, mysterious way
And try to catch a glimpse of future's dawn.

"Dear kindred spirit, from thy new abode,
Dost thou behold us on this earthly sphere?
From our sad hearts, wilt thou not lift the load?
O, tell us thou dost see and know and hear!

"If we have failed to recognize thy worth,
Withholding well-deserved praise from thee,
May our repentant tears bedew the earth—
And flowers bloom—where thy last sleep shall be."

And be it further

Resolved, That we hereby express to all societies, bodies, clubs or orders with which he was affiliated at the time of his death or to which he may have previously belonged, our mutual sympathy and heartfelt grief over their own as well as our irreparable loss; and be it further

Resolved, That in deep sympathy for the aged parents who have received this untimely shock to add to the solemnity of their declining years, we would congratulate them on having had a son whose filial devotion amounted almost to worship and the memory of whose love should be to them a source of much consolation; and be it further

Resolved, that we know of no suitable words with which to alleviate the ever present loneliness and sorrow of the widow and the widow's son. God alone is able to comfort them and we earnestly pray that He will bind up their broken hearts and in His own way show them that all is for the best; and be it lastly

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, a copy sent to the aged parents, a copy published in The Masonic Observer and in The Progress and a copy spread upon the records of this Branch.

Guy C. Hawkins,
Norman R. Cushing,
Fred C. Emerson.
Committee on Resolutions.

The late N. B. Watkins of Chenango, N. Y., bequeathed to Norwich commandery, Knights Templars, his collection of Templar badges, said to be the most complete of its kind in the country. It contains about 1,000 badges and is valued at upward of $2,000.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Zion's last party Tuesday night, 20th. Everybody go.

Zion Commandery card and daneing party, Tuesday 20th.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, Entered one candidate last Wednesday.

Braden No. 168 will confer the Master Mason degree Thursday, 22d.

Plymouth Lodge No. 160, will work the E. A. degree tonight, 19th.

Darius Commandery will hold a special conclave March 28, to install officers.

Horace M. Myers has heen confined to his home for a mouth, but is now about recovered.

Ark Chapter No. 53, Marked three last Monday and will work same degree Monday night, 26th.

The Imperial Potentate is not expected at the next ceremonial session of Zuhrah Temple, April 13.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 will confer the Entered Apprentice degree after regular business Wednesday, 21st.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224 will confer the Fellow Craft degree, Tuesday, March 20; this lodge Passed four, Tuesday, 13th.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 will confer the Master Mason degree on three, Tuesday night, March 20. Brethren cordially invited.

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Carmel Lodge of Perfection No. 1, elected the following: W. H. S. Wright, V. M., John Fishel, S. W., James E. Orme, J. W.

Minnesota Consistory No. 1, elected the following: Luis George Hoffman, M. of K., Henry Milton Tusler, Prior, Lawrence Hope, Preceptor.

Zion Commandery will be host and Darius and Minneapolis Mounted, guests at the Easter services which will be held Sunday, April 15, 2:30, p. m., at Plymouth Church.

Paladin Commandery No. 21, K. T., elected the following: Eugene W. McCord, E. C., James Ridler, Gen., John M. Kuhn, Capt. Gen., Isaac Seddon, Treas., Geo. Herbert, Recorder.

This number of the Masonic Observer is being mailed to every member of Zion Commandery. Why not order it continued; it will come to you weekly for $1.00 per annum. By calling the attention of your wife to the calendar on last page you can convince her that you were at Lodge last night.

Bishop Charles H. Fowler, of New York City, will come to Minneapolis for the especial purpose of preaching the Easter Sermon. A compliment to Zion's Prelate, Rev. C. L. Sharpe.

William H. Lauderdale, the well known real estate man of Temple Court, who was run down and seriously injured last week, is much improved and will be down town in a few days.

Carmel Lodge of Perfection No. 1, St. Paul, will confer degrees 4-14 on following dates: March 21, Fourth and Fifth; March 26, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth; March 28, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh; March 30, Twelfth and Thirteenth; April 5, Fourteenth; the Rose Croix degrees will be conferred later in April.

Mounted Commandery No. 23 conferred the Order of the Red Cross on one last Wednesday afternoon, served supper at six and conferred the Order of the Temple on two in the evening. The annual conclave and election of officers will occur Tuesday, 27th.; every resident member should be present.

Lewis M. Miller, ex-Clerk of the Michigan House of Representatives, and Worshipful Master of Capital Lodge, S. O., No. 66, Lansing, is in St. Paul, with headquarters at 318, Ger. Am. Nat. Bank Bldg., where he expects to remain until September. The Observer extends an invitation to visit our Masonic Lodges.

THE EASTERN STAR.

New Chapters were constituted and officers installed at Phillips, Wis., March 8, Ladysmith, 9th.

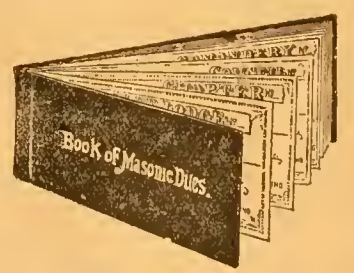
Monona Chapter No. 5, Madison, Wis., gave a reception March 6, in honor of Worthy Grand Matron Luther

The Stars at Sheldon, N. D., were recently entertained by two of their members, progressive "Roly Poly" being the chief amusement.

The Stars of Bridgewater, S. D., entertained their Brethren of the Masonic Lodge, March 1, with ball and banquet at the opera house, in return for an entertainment given them by the brethren a month earlier.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, had an especially pleasant meeting last Tuesday night. The attendance was large; there was a delightful musical program; cards were indulged in by the more staid while the younger ones actually stole away to another room and tread the mazy dance to impromptu music. Refreshments were served. Among the visitors was Mrs. A. W. Morse of Faulkton Chapter No. 69, South Dakota, who is visiting her parents, Gen. and Mrs. H. A. Humprey, 802, 6th. St. S. E.

J. S. Barnard of Carver Lodge No. 111, being about to remove to South America, his Lodge gave him a reception and presented him a Past Master's apron.



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GRAND LODGE OF MINNESOTA A. F. & A. M.

The proceedings of the Grand Lodge at the fifty-third annual, held at St. Paul, January 17 and 18, 1906, have been printed by Grand Secretary Montgomery and are now being distributed by him in accordance with custom. Some delay has been caused because of disturbed conditions among the publishers, considering which the Grand Secretary is to be congratulated for the dispatch he has been able to make. The proceedings proper, including Lodge and Grand Lodge directories and index, cover 102 pages to which are added 115 pages of correspondence report and twenty-four pages covering the proceedings of the Masonic Veteran Association.

The report of the committee on credentials shows that there were 16 Grand Officers, 17 permanent members, 16 District Deputy Grand Masters and 380 Representatives of 221 out of 241 active chartered Lodges, including 110 proxies present. The permanent members consisted of eleven Past Grand Masters, one P. D. G. M., one P. S. G. W. and four P. J. G. W. The lodges not represented were Numbers 17, 24, 37, 43, 55, 66, 104, 142, 174, 188, 193, 196, 206, 214, 218, 219, 233, 243, 249, 250, 260.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The report of the Grand Secretary is concise and interesting. 29 lodges have remained stationary as to numbers, 76 have fallen behind and 136 have made large gains. No. 35, of Hastings, after an existence of more than forty-five years, has consolidated with Dakota No. 7 of the same place, giving the latter a membership of 184. Numbers 65 and 73 being greatly reduced in numbers surrendered their charters.

Gains and losses are as follows: initiated, 1455; passed, 1309; raised, 1284; joined, 529; restored, 69; total gains, 1882. Withdrawn, 672; stricken from roll, 205; suspended, 7; expelled, 4; died, 229; total 1117. Net gain, 765; present membership in chartered lodges, 21,056. Ionic Lodge No. 186, Duluth, made the greatest gain, as follows; initiated, 44; passed, 45; raised, 47; admitted, 62; total, 109; withdrawn, 4; died, 2; total, 6; gain 103; membership Jan. 1, 377. Next comes Minneapolis No. 19; initiated, 59; passed, 58; raised, 57; admitted, 40; restored, 3; total, 100; withdrawn, 13; died, 12; total 125; gain, 75; membership Jan. 1, 1085. Charters were issued to two lodges during the year; the dispensation for one renewed and dispensations granted for the formation of five new lodges. Charters were granted to the five under dispensation, at this session. New Collars and Aprons were purchased, for the Grand Lodge officers, the old jewels replated, all at an expense of $315.76.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Grand Treasurer reports the following condition of the finances: General fund, balance, $14,490.62; receipts, $12,320.24; total, $26,810.86. Disbursements, including $4,000 to the Widows' and Orphans' fund, $11,514.32, leaving balance, 15,26.54, which, with $4,000 invested, leaves a balance in general fund, $19,296.54. Total in Widows' and Orphans' fund, $34,993.36, making a grand total of $54,289.90.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The address of Grand Master Henry Milton Tusler, is a strong business document of fourteen pages, giving an account of his official acts. Assisted by others he constituted Berry Lodge No. 259 at Akeley and Truth No. 260 at Bricelyn and installed their officers. The former lodge is named for Frank C. Berry of Duluth. Golden Rule Lodge No. 65, at Lakeland and Brownsville No. 73, at Brownsville, surrendered their charters. The usual dispensattions were granted; to 13 lodges to confer degrees on more than five candidates at one time; three to attend Divine service; several to elect officers at other than the time provided in by-laws and many to publicly install officers. Many dispensations were refused, among them the following: to receive petitions from persons physically disqualified; to receive petitions and confer degrees at special communications; to participate in civic parades; to permit officers to appear at a public entertainment in aprons, collars and jewels; to receive petition from a person who had not resided in the jurisdiction of the lodge the required time; to allow a lodge to confer the first section of the third degree deferring the remainder to a subsequent meeting etc. etc.

DECISIONS.

Nearly all questions propounded were answered by reference to the Code; some rulings are as follows: An applicant for degrees who has lost the first second and third fingers of the right hand is not eligible; a member having been stricken from the roll for n. p. d. in 1875, dying in 1888, the lodge cannot receive the dues owing at time he was stricken and issue a certificate of good standing at time of death; officers having a voice, and vote, in the direction and management of the affairs and business of corporations engaged in the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage, are ineligible to receive the degrees of Masonry, but an employee engaged in the supervision of the clerical part of the business, having nothing whatever to do with the manufacture and sale of the product, and without a vote in the management, is not debarred; the only way in which one who was initiated, passed and raised in a clandestine Lodge, can become a Master Mason in good standing is to petition a regular Lodge and receive the degrees in a lawful manner.

The corner stone of the Carnegie Library at Grand Rapids was laid

with appropriate ceremonies. An invitation to lay the corner stone of a church on Sunday was declined as being contrary to G. L. constitution.

Thirty-four District Deputy Grand Masters were appointed; eleven sent in full reports; seven having forty-five lodges in charge, made no report; sixteen, with 118 lodges, reported on 81; some of the reports were models of excellence containing valuable information, many were of little value. Notwithstanding an adverse report from the judiciary committee the Grand Lodge, last year passed a resolution making D. D. G. M's. members of Grand Lodge; Grand Master says that in his opinion this was a violation of the constitution; if not it was unwise. (In the opinion of the special committee to which this was referred, the action of G. L. was constitutional) Grand Master says it was his desire to visit as many lodges as possible and being possessed of a robust constitution he was enabled to gratify this desire to the extent of nearly one hundred visits; all of which visits were a source of great pleasure to him and he hopes have been of profit to the brethren. In closing he expresses his gratitude to the brethren, to the officers of the G. L. and especially to the Grand Secretary.

MASONIC HOME.

This being a matter of great interest to the Fraternity of this grand jurisdiction and to the fraternity at large, the preamble and resolutions relating to the Masonic Home are printed in full; they were adopted by a vote of 347 in favor and 267 against.

"Whereas, In view of what has been accomplished and is being done in other Masonic jurisdictions in aid of indigent members of the Fraternity, their wives, widows and children, through the medium of homes, orphanages, schools, hospitals, etc., and

Whereas, the time is not far distant when an institution for the relief of those who may need a permanent home, or special care and attention not otherwise obtainable will be needed in this jurisdiction, and

Whereas, it seems proper and expedient that some steps should be taken by this Grand Body to provide for the acumulation of a fund to be employed at some time in the future for the erection and maintenance of a Masonic Home in the state of Minnesota, and

Wereas, while it may be conceded that such an enterprise should not be directly carried on by the Grand Lodge as such, yet it is apparent that a great and important undertaking of this character, which so raidcally affects the policy of Masonic aid in this jurisdiction, should not be entered upon without the direct sanction, approval and co-operation of this Grand Body.

Be It Therefore Resolved. That the incoming Grand Master appoint a committee of twelve whose duty it shall be to organize and perfect a corporation under the laws of the state of Minnesota, having for its object the accumulation of a fund and the erection and maintenance of a Masonic Home in this jurisdiction;

Provided, That in addition to this Grand Lodge, the following organizations shall, if practicable, be represented on said committee, viz:

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons; the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar; the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters; the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons, and the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, all of Minnesota.

Resolved Further, That the articles of incorporation to be prepared and adopted by such committee shall provide among other things:

First, That such home shall not be built until at least one hundred thousand dollars shall be secured, at least fifty thousand dollars of which shall be reserved as a permanent endowment fund.

Second, That the general plan for accumulation of such funds shall be through voluntary contributions, gifts, bequests voluntary membership fees from Lodges and individuals, deposits in trust, and through such other means as the By-Laws of said corporation may provide.

Third, That such committee shall constitute the first board of trustees of said corporation to hold office until the next annual meeting, and that the trustees thereafter shall be selected by the Grand Lodge, such other organizations above named (as far as practicable) and by the members of said corporation, at such times and in such manner as said committee shall prescribe. Provided, however, that the Grand Lodge shall be entitled to name at least four members of said board.

Fourth, That the annual meeting of said corporation shall take place at the time of the meeting of the Grand Lodge, or immediately thereafter."

[Note.—The committee has not been appointed]

We find the following in the report of the committee on Lodges U. D.

"We are pleased to notice a record by some of these Lodges of valuable historical data, leading up to their organization as a Lodge, and recommend that this practice be adhered to, and that where practicable a copy of the petition for dispensation and a copy of the dispensation itself be entered on the minutes."

The Grand Master's decisions were found to be in accordance with Masonic law and usage, and were approved.

The Board of Custodians of the Work reported a meeting the week previous to Grand Lodge, at which 186 Master Masons, most of them Masters or Wardens of Lodges, representing 103 Lodges, were present for the purpose of receiving instruction.

$10.000 was transferred from the General to the Widows' and Orphans, Fund. The Grand Treasurer was given a salary of $200. $675 was appropriated to nine lodges for relief, and $290. to individuals.

We find four lodges named for living persons: Berry, No. 259; Griswold No. 218; Montgomery No. 258 and Tusler No. 263; there may be others.

The Charter of Farbault Lodge No. 9, issued Jan. 6, 1857, and surrendered June 1, 1865, was returned to it and the Lodge authorized to work thereunder in the future.

One former member was restored and two petitions denied because Grand Lodge regulations were not complied with.

The Grand Secretary has compiled tables of statistics which are interesting, from which we extract the following: Charters surrendered, 10; arrested and not restored, 1; destroyed by fire and not re-issued, 1; one U. D. lodge, charter never issued; this lodge was at Fort Garry, Territory of Dakota; two transferred allegiance to G. L. of Dakota on formation of that body.

Forty-seven lodges either own their own buildings or an interest therein.

A few of the lodges meet on, before or after the moon fulls.

Of the lodges uniting to form the Grand Lodge, Feb. 24, 1853, St. Johns No. 1 was chartered by the G. L. of Wisconsin, June 9, 1852; Cataract No. 2, by the G. L. of Illinois, Oct. 5, 1852; St. Paul No. 3, by the G. L. of Ohio, Jan. 24, 1853.

Fifteen of the twenty-seven Grand Masters are living.

The jurisdiction is divided into thirty-four districts each having a District Deputy Grand Master.

California, Iowa, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Wyoming do not exchange Grand Representatives.

The oration of Grand Orator Elmer A. Kling covers eleven pages of the proceedings and is too long to produce here.

The proceedings of the fourteenth annual reunion of the Masonic Veteran Association are printed as an appendix. The report shows the number of active members Jan. 1, 1905, 444, added during the year, 42, total, 486; died 13; members Jan. 1, 1906, 473: Honorary members Jan. 1, 1905, 23, added 1, died 1; total membership, 496. Giles W. Merrill, secretary since the organization, was absent, in California for the winter. The officers of this association are: Thomas C. Clark, Stillwater, President; William P. Murray, St. Paul, 1st. V. Pres.; John W. Eddy, Morris, 2nd. V. Pres.; I. B. B. Sprauge, St. Paul, Treasurer; Giles W. Merrill, St. Paul, Secretary; Sheldon L. Frazer, Duluth, Marshal; Rev. George H. Davis, Farbault, Chaplain.

One of the most brilliant Masonic balls ever given in the Pacific northwest was the one held in Spokane, February 22, in the new temple. More than 250 Shriners with their wives and families and guests attended the ball which was the social event of Spokane this season. Noticeable was the large number in attendance from other towns. The grand march of the ball was headed by Illustrious Potentate P. A. Daggett and Miss Daggett, F. E. Michaels and Mrs. Michaels, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hutchinson, Illustrious Chief Rabban, H. W. Allen and Mrs. Allen, Illustrious Assistant Rabban Harry A. Flood and Mrs. Flood, Illustrious Treasurer J. D. Hinkle and Mrs. Hinkle and Illustrious Secretary S. H. Rush and Mrs. Rush. The double file column marched into the dancing hall where military maneuvers were performed, followed by the formation of the laucers and the cotillion. At the same time there was a musical concert given in the main lodge room.

Sereno D. Nickerson, G. S. of G. L. of Mass., has fixed the date of Franklin's initiation as February, 1731. Bro. Nickerson is good authority.

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Masons of Eveleth, Minn., will give a ball to the fraternity, April 26.

Ortonville, Minn., Masons visited their brethren at Wilmot, S. D., March 12th, and assisted in the work.

The Wisconsin Scottish Rite bodies at Milwaukee, will hold their eighty-sixth reunion April 16, 17, 18 and 19.

The Consistory at Yankton, S. D., recently conferred the degrees on a class of fifty, the largest for many years.

Constantine Commandery No. 20, Crookston, will attend Easter services at Grand Forks, N. D., as guests of the Commandery there.

Duluth Commandery No. 18, K. T., made an elaborate affair of the installation of officers on the 20th; after the ceremonies there was a program of music, cards and dancing.

F. E. Harrison, Abbeville, South Carolina, enoys the distinction of being Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, Grand High Priest, Grand R. A. Chapter and Grand Master of Grand Council, R. & S. M.

The Observer announced some time ago that the commissioners of Martin County had instructed the County Auditor to invite the Grand Lodge to lay the corner stone of the court house. Now comes The Times, published at Welcome, Minn., and enters a vigorous protest which we publish in full that our readers may know what manner of man the publisher is; the name of the publisher, as we are reliably informed, is H. A. Zettel.

It is propable that the Grand Master will investigate this matter fully before accepting the invitation.

"At the last meeting of the county commissioners, that body invited the Masonic lodge of Fairmont, to take charge of the laying of the corner stone of Martin County's proposed new court house and on acount of the many remarks the writer has heard in our village in opposition to the Masonic order taking charge of the corner stone laying and which we think is quite fair-minded and if the commissioners will stop and consider they will see where they have made a mistake.

Out of pure justice to all concerned it is only reasonable to enter a vigorous protest against such proceedings. This is not out of any unkind feelings toward any organization, fraternity or any other, but out of respect for the feelings of a majority of our best citizens.

The Masonic fraternity represents but a small per centage of our population and our tax payers. A large percentage of our tax payers belong to churches opposed to such fraternities, and they are very conscientious in this attitude. These tax payers would justly feel offended at the proceedings mentioned. The Masons do not pay a larger per centage of taxes on their property than do others, and are not entitled to any special privileges. It would not be right to give this privilege to any church any more than it would to a fraternity order. It is a COUNTY AFFAIR and belongs to ALL the people and should be conducted accordingly.

The above mentioned ceremonies should be in charge of the county commissioners by all means, and the program arranged by them with a view toward pleasing the people of the county as a whole. A good, public man should be chosen as chairman of the ceremonies, and it would be entirely appropriate to secure Judge Quinn to act as presiding officer. Gov. Johnson will be invited to deliver the principal address and here we think the commissioners showed good judgment. Whether the principal speaker is a Mason or not, is not the question, but if he is, he should by no means deliver the address in the capacity of a Mason.

This proposed movement is extremely selfish and is a gross injustice to the people of the county as a whole, and it is to be hoped that it will not materialize."

The "Horseman and Spirit of the Times," Chicago, will issue a souvenir number soon, which, as a history of the trotter and his achievements, will be the most complete work of the kind ever published.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Grand Bodies of Mississippi, at sessions held February 20 to 23, elected and appointed officers as follows:

Grand Lodge: Grand Master, Chas. H. Blum; Dep. Grand Master, E. Ernest Clement; Sen. Grand Warden, Henry C. Yawn; Jun. Grand Warden, Edwin J. Martin; Grand Chaplain, Walter G. Harbin; Grand Treas., Benjamin V. White; Grand Secretary, Frederic Speed; Grand Lecturer, Allen M. Hicks; Sen. Grand Deacon, William T. McDonald; Jun. Grand Deacon, James Howard Burkitt; Grand Mar., William R. Denton; Grand Swd. B'r., James L. Williams; Grand Purs., Moses Jonas; Grand Tyler, Julius Yaretzsky.

Grand Chapter: G. H. P., William A. Bodenhamer; Dep. G. H. P., John S. Brooks; G. K., Charles H. Blum; G. S., Edwin J. Martin; G. Chap., John A. B. Jones; G. Treas., Gus J. Bahin; Grand Secretary, Frederic Speed; G. Lec., Edmund Sadler! G. C. H., George B. Power; G. P. S., Walton G. Grayson; G. R. A. C., Harry T. Howard; G. M. T. V., William A. Johns; G. M. S. V., Robert Somerville; G. M. F. V., John M. Davis; Grand Sent., Julius Yaretzsky.

Grand Council, R. & S. M.: G. M., Phinneas M. Savery; D. G. M., John S. Cobb; G. P. C. W., Oliver Lee McKay; G. Treas., Gus. J. Bahin; Grand Recorder, Frederic Speed; G. Chap., Joseph J. Brooks; G. C. G., John S. Brooks; G. C. C., George A. Teunisson; G. S., Nolan Stewart; G. Mar., Jeremiah A. Thompson; Grand Sent., Julius Yaretzsky.

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THE EASTERN STAR.

The Stars at Waseca recently had a 4 o'clock Welch tea.

The Stars at Madison, Minn., recently entertained the Rebekahs.

Miss Ross, secretary of the Chapter at Mankato, has removed to Winona.

W. G. Matron, Thomas, visited Sunshine No. 8, St. Charles, on the 19th.

An Eastern Star Chapter was organized at Mazeppa, Minn., on the 15th.

Radiant Chapter, Janesville, had a "Restful" recently; "music, songs, tales, etc."

A Sunday School class at Winnebago City, having pledged $35.00 towards a new church, the Stars voted them $25.00.

Some Jurisdictions are more modest; In South Dakota they are content with the title "Grand Matron," "Grand Patron."

The W. M. of the Chapter at Woonsocket, S. D., was recently invited to exemplify the work before the Chapter at Wessington.

The Stars at Fond du Lac, Wis., gave a masquerade recently. The lady's prize was awarded to "Sis Hopkin's", and the gentleman's to "Uuncle Sam."

Lorraine Social club will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Erkenberg, 507 Girard Ave. No., Tuesday, March 27th; all members and their friends are cordially invited.

Nicollet Chapter No. 174, O. E. S. celebrated its second anniversary on the 13th.; Worthy Grand Matron Thomas was present officially and conferred the degrees.

Mrs. W. J. Graham, associate conductress of Mizpah Chapter, Grafton, N. D., being about to remove to Anoka, Minn., was given a reception and a souvenir by her Chapter, March 13.

The Chapter at Mitchell, S. D., gave a St. Patrick party on the 17th; one of the features which might be adopted in the city, was the serving of coffee by a demonstrator who was working the city.

The Herald, of Flandreau, S. D., in its issue of 14th., devotes more than a column to the Order of the Eastern Star, copied from the Brooklyn Eagle; as the matter is entirely historical we do not quote.

Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, O. E. S., will hold a Dime social at its Hall, corner of Lake St. and Bloomington ave., Thursday night, 29; all members and friends cordially invited; a good time is assured.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., will give an Easter card and dancing party on the sixth and seventh floors of the Masonic Temple, during the third week in April; the exact date will be announced later; keep the date open as you will not want to miss this event.

The Grand Lodge of Louisiana at its recent communication adopted the following resolution: "The Board of Grand Lodge Hall Directors are hereby authorized to rent the use of the Lodge roms in the Masonic Temple to Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star, and that the edict against joint ocupancy shall not apply to the occupation of Lodge rooms in the Masonic Temple at New Orleans by such Chapter."

MINNEAPOLIS CHAPTER N. 9. O. E. S.

Dr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Dysinger, 1037 Third St. No., received informally last Tuesday evening for Minneapolis Chapter No. 9. The hours were from 8 to 11 o'clock. An artistic arrangement of tulips intermingled with the green tracery of ferns lent hits of brightness to the rooms. Dr. and Mrs. Dysinger received alone. In the music room was stationed Albrecht's orchestra and their program of classical and popular music added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening. Pearlie Boomhomer danced the "Hornpipe" and "Highland Fling," by request.

Miss Annabel Myers delighted all with her readings.

Refreshments were served in the dining room. The snowy whiteness of the table was relieved by a huge bowl of yellow blossoms whose color was reflected in the plate mirror beneath. Among those who assisted about the rooms were Worthy Matron, Abbie Eells Reed, Worthy Patron, J. H. Johnson, associate matron, Louise Lyon Johnson, conductress, Sarah Archibald.

The thimble bee for No. 9 was entertained Wednesday afternoon and despite the inclement weather twenty-eight were present. An entertaining musical program was rendered by Misses Elberg and Millar. The refreshments deserve special mention for their dainty toothsomeness.

Mrs. Hermann White, 3452 Lyndale Ave. So., will entertain the next thimble bee, Wednesday afternoon April 4th.

On Wednesday evening, March 28th, sister Jeanette Millar, 3449 Third Ave. So., will entertain the card club at her home. All members and friends will be most welcome.—Correspondent.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Saint Johns R. A. Chapter will hold a special Thursday night, March 29, to confer the Mark Master degree.

Ark Lodge No. 176, gives its last card and dancing party, Friday night, 30th.

Braden Lodge No. 168 will confer the Entered Apprentice degree, Thursday, 29th.

W. A. Wheelock of Ark Lodge, who has been sojourning in California, has returned.

Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., will confer the Mark Master degree, tonight, 26.

W. A. Dawley of Sturgis, S. D., a Mason and former newspaper publisher, is at the Vendome for a month.

Ark Lodge will confer the Fellow Craft degree Thursday night, 29th; this Lodge Entered three Monday, 19th.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery holds its annual conclave and election Tuesday night 27th; every member should be present.

We go to press too early for an account of the "Malta Festival", Friday night, 23rd, but from present outlook there will be a very large attendance from abroad.

Khurum Lodge No. 112, will confer the F C degree Friday night, 30th; this lodge conferred the E. A. degree last Friday; it is expected that there will be degree work April 6th.

Secretary Horace M. Myers, of "19", and W. H. Lauderdale, the former sick, the latter injured by a team on the street, are still confined to their homes, much to the great regret of their numerous friends.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will confer the E. A. degree, Wednesday, 28th. Captain General Chas. E. Ovenshire and Past Commander W. H. Lyon were at Morris on the 12th, the former as inspecting officer of Bethel Commandery No. 19.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will have an open, social meeting for members and friends, Tuesday night, 27th. It is expected that degree work will be set that night for some evening during the week. The attendance of members is earnestly requested.

Carmel Lodge of Perfection will confer the degrees, intimate Secretary, Provost and Judge, Intendant of the Building, tonight, Monday; Wednesday, 28th., Elu of the Nine, Elu of the Fifteen, Elu of the Twelve; Friday, 30th, Master Architect and Royal Arch of Solomon.

At a special assembly of Saint Paul Council No. 1, R. & S. M., Monday, 19th., all the degrees were conferred in full on fourteen candidates. The Minnesota Quartette of Minneapolis furnished the musical program; Minneapolis was well represented among the visitors; a social hour and banquet followed.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, will confer the Fellow Craft degree, Wednesday night, 28th; the Middle Chamber lecture will be delivered by Past Master Thos. M. Reed, musical program by Prof. D. F. Colvill of St. Paul. This occasion will be one of especial interest to all members and a large attendance is hoped for.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., at its stated assembly, 16th., conferred all the degrees in full. Minnesota Quartette furnished the music. The attendance was large; among the visitors were Grand Recorder Montgomery, Past Grand Masters Dwight M. Baldwin and Henry M. Tusler, T. I. M., F. H. Young, Recorder R. B. Ware, M. McKay, Benj. Phillips, A. L. Adams, A. A. Klammer and H. L. Donnelly, of Saint Paul Council No. 1, Comp. Mertens, P. C. W., Adoniram No. 5, and Lewis M. Miller of Lansing, Mich.

Three candidates were raised to the Sublime degree of Master Mason by Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, Tuesday night, 20. A large number of members and visiting brethren were present; among the latter were: G. M. Durkee, A. F. Soukup, P. V. M. Pool, Wm. Thomas, Wm. Willing, W. A. Martin and Frank S. Pool, Hennepin No. 4; E. S. Prince, P. M., Cataract No. 2; Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., Plymouth No. 160; S. B. Washburn, P. M. Khurum No. 112; John W. Blackstone, Amicitia No. 25, and Wm. J. Williams, Randolph No. 270, Wisconsin; F. W. Drew, Chas. M. Holmquist and F. L. Smith, Minneapolis No. 19; D. W. Davis and Warren Armstrong, Dakota No. 7, Hastings; A. Carlson, Aurora No. 56, N. D., and I. B. Record, Milbank No. 20, S. D.

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PASSAGES FROM THE ORATION OF ELMER A. KLING, GRAND ORATOR.

There is no place of darkness in this jurisdiction, and while we as Masons recognize that Masonry knows and recognizes no particular locality, we as Masons of the jurisdiction of Minnesota may justly be proud of this state, the state of the adoption of so many of us, yet to us the dearest spot on earth, that of home. We are proud of it because its hills contain mines richer than the fabled mines of Golconda; because the breezes that play over its prairies stir miles and miles of golden grain like the billows of the ocean; because sparkling in the sunshine set like gems in Nature's crown, hundreds of lakes invite the afflicted to come and partake of the waters of health; because the pioneers who made the beginning of the change from an empire of wilderness to an empire of homes, who laid the foundations of our cities and began the development of our prairies and forests and mines were Masons; because the history of civilization, and progress and culture is the history of Masonry; because our fathers and brothers carried with them the Great Lights and erected the altars of Masonry as a protector to the home even as the children of Israel carried the ark of the covenant and erected the tabernacle in the lands they conquered and possessed; because in those dark days of struggle for existence as a nation the "Star of the North," almost the latest addition to the constellation on our flag, gave of its bravest, and best, and truest sons, who at the great crisis of the cause for which they fought willingly offered themselves as a sacrifice that right and the Nation might live. We are proud of all this as citizens, but we are prouder because of the part that our brothers and fathers acted, that equality should be a fact and not a theory, that liberty might live, and that no man, standing in the shadow of our flag, should wear the fetters of slavery.

Much has been written and said on why we are Masons, and many excellent truths have been preserved to us, that otherwise might have been lost among the rubbish. But it seems to me that before we attempt any explanation of why we are Masons it might be well to ascertain whether in truth we are part and parcel of this great Fraternity, qualified to travel and work, or whether we simply belong to the Order and are authorized to work. Whether our work is square, and true, and good; whether when it leaves our hands it is to be adjusted in the temple by the tools of the fellow craft, or cast aside as worthless. Are we Masons because of a sincere wish to be of service to our fellow creatures, or is it because it is popular to wear the badge of Masonry? Is our knowledge of the Institution limited and circumscribed by the ritual, or have we sought to penetrate the mysteries? Have we the spirit of Masonry, or have we the theory only? Can we, as we gather here today, call to mind some good done since we parted a year ago? Have we measured our conduct and decided it by the question of whether it was right, or did we decide whether or not it was profitable? Have we made the widow's heart glad, and caused the happy tears of joy to flow instead of the bitter tears of sorrow?

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These may seem idle words to you, but to me it seems that these questions must be asked and answered right before we can attempt to explain why we are Masons; more than that, there yet remains one of the tenets of our profession found within the points of the compass—and that is love—brotherly love, the greatest, the best and noblest impulse that has ever moved mankind to deeds of daring, sacrifice and devotion. Which moves us to regard a brother's welfare equally with our own; which makes us rejoice at his prosperity instead of filling us with envy; which keeps back the tongue of slander; which makes us put forth our hand to aid a brother; which sends us to our brother to remind him in a tender manner of his faults instead of advertising his failures in public and to the delight of his enemies; that which exemplifies in every day life the doctrine that it is more blessed to give than to receive; for "Love is not geeting, but giving; not a wild stream of pleasure, and a madness of desire; Oh, no! love is not that—it is goodness, and honor, and peace, and pure living—yes, love is that; and it is the best thing in the world, and the thing that lives longest."

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A generation passed away. David was no longer king, but his son, Solomon reigned in his stead. A royal legacy was the inheritance left by David to his son, for when Solomon came to the throne of Israel the people were at peace with all the world and on terms of friendship, if not of intimacy, with their rich and powerful neighbors of Tyre and Sidon, for Hiram of Tyre now sat on the throne of Tyre and Sidon, united in one. The Jews and profited by the years of peace, and an abundance was on every hand. Solomon, like David, had in his heart to build a temple in honor of his God. Now was the opportune time to build a palace, dedicated to the Great Jehovah, which should stand as a monument to its builder forever, for as Hiram the Great had sent messengers to recognize and congratulate David, so Hiram of Tyre sent his messengers to Solomon on his accession to the throne condoling him on the death of his father, and congratulating the newly crowned king. Solomon had reason to know the value of such friendship, especially at this time, for here were thepeople who could furnish what his people were lacking.

Here were the cunning workers in gold and silver and brass, and the Sidonian hewers. An alliance was made, the first commercial treaty into which the Israelitish nation ever entered. Solomon exchanged the corn, and wine and oil of his country for the skill of the people of Hiram, and the cedar and fir trees of Lebanon.

Immediately the treaty became effective; thirty thousand men of Israel were in the mountains of Lebanon felling the cedars that the Sidonians hewed into form. Eighty thousand quarrymen and stone squarers were busy in the quarries in the mountains near Jerusalem, and the land from the mountain to the sea rang with the shouts of the seventy thousand bearers of burdens, the apprentices that carried the timbers to the sea shore, and from the shore of Joppa to the Temple.

It was not difficult for Solomon to furnish the measures of wheat and baths of wine and oil, nor for Hiram to furnisn the artizans and hewers. But here they were confronted with a more serious problem; the uniting in harmony these people of different nationalities, diverse languages and opposing interests. Some kind of an organization must be effected in which all should have a common interest, a common language and a common object. The King of Tyre sent with the artizans he furnished a master workman, Hiram the widow's son, who was master of the Dionysian artizans; and it fell to him not only to furnish plans for the trestle board and superintend the work, but to organize a society to unite these strangers as friends and enable them to understand each other, at least in technical language. Israel furnished the morals and religion of the society and the Phoenecians taught the arts and sciences. No religious qualification was required other than recognition of the God of Israel, and the Phoenecians of that time, like many worshippers of today, could perceive no great difference between the worship of their own deity and that of the Jews. All were pledged to be good men, and to continue as apprentices and craftsmen in the art until they should become accomplished workmen. As the kings of Tyre and Israel observed the peace and good will and harmony that exists among the workmen, they took this society under their royal patronage and associated with them this remarkable man who commanded a greater royalty and aristocracy than the royalty of Hiram or the aristocracy of Solomon. The organization was perfected and the three thousand three hundred masters directed the work on the temple, in the quarries and the mountains by day, and at night instructed the craft, not only in their work but in lessons of morality and religion, until at the completion of the temple there went out bands of men qualified to travel and work in foreign countries; who worked in both operative and speculative masonry; who left behind them as they followed the advance of civilization and progress not only the monuments of operative skill, but the recollection of their purity of life and rectitude of conduct. And this, it seems was the beginning of operative and speculative Masonry. Gradually members of these bands settled in the lands they went to, became builders, capitalists, merchants and entered the profession; and for this they were not excluded from the society they loved, but rather their sons were admitted without having learned the trades of masons or of builders. Gradually the privilege of admission was extended until speculative Masonry took the place of the operative, the last authentic account of the practice of both operative and speculative being found in the hands of men who travelled over Europe in the fifteenth century building churches in which worshippers might gather for their devotions. And today Masonry has entirely ceased to be an operative thing in a material sense, but stands as a moral, a social and humanitarian institution. Not a theology, yet its principles are the universal and original religion of mankind. Not a creed, yet requiring acknowledgement of God, and the following of his highest and best law, the law of love.

The question is not so much whether or not Masonry as a distinctive badge had its origin at the building of the temple, at the time of the organization of the guilds, at the time of the recovery of Jerusalem, or at any other time, or when, if at all, Masonry ceased to become both operative and speculative and became speculative only, as what is it doing, what has it done, and what is it going to do for mankind? We do not know, nor do we care to know when the word Masonry first meant what it does now. We do know this: that the principles upon which it is found were old and well known to the initiated before the Christian era; that the doctrine taught by him we call Saviour of the world to the man who came to him when he said "thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy might, and all thy soul and thy neighbor as thyself, this do and thou shalt live" was not a new doctrine taught by him for the first time, but was only a repetition of the doctrine taught and practised by those whose faith was founded on the principles we as Masons believe.

It is the universal religion and language of mankind. There is no race or nation but what knows and understands its signs. No church or religion but that its devotees kneel also at Masonry's altar. No political party but numbers some of our Order in its ranks. Its craftsmen are found in every calling and profession. Its symbols are seen in every public assembly. In every hamlet of the land its votaries stand by the fireside. No cry of distress can be uttered but what it will fall on the ear of a brother ready and willing to assist. It is truly the universal brotherhood. It recognizes but one race, the family of man.

Masonry is not only progressive but it is practical. A century and a half ago the whole world was surprised when the thirteen colonies proclaimed to mankind the Declaration of Independence from England, not so much because the independence was announced as because that document began with the words "all men are created equal; endowed with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." And this document, that produced so much alarm, and speculation, and ridicule simply for the first time made practical application to civil government the doctrine long taught by the fraternal princples of Masonry.

The editor of the Fairmont Independent in commenting upon the recent screed of the Welcome Times in opposition to the laying of the corner stone of the court house, says: "The above is written with a vigor worthy of a better cause, for Brother Deebach is looking through the wrong end of his field glasses and has his view narrowed to ludicrity. He seems to have forgotten that the custom of having Masonic lodges officiate at the laying of corner stones is always honored in the observance but never in the breach. Join the Masons, Brother Deebach, and discover that the order is larger than Fairmont or Martin county even, and though the Fairmont lodge should honor the occasion by officiating in a most fitting capacity the ceremonies would still belong to Martin county."

THE EASTERN STAR.

Stars at Hokah gave a social on the 16th.

Eastern Star Circle is the name of a club at Mankato.

The Stars at Luverne were entertained by the Masonic Lodge, March 15.

The Stars at Brookings, S. D., entertained Grand Matron Farr, March 20th.

The Stars at Lamberton served their brethren of the Lodge with refreshments after degree work, March 19.

Ruth Chapter No. 2, O. E. S., Butte, Mont., gave its annual ball at the Woman's club house, March 21; it was the event of the season.

Martha Chapter, O. E. S., Anoka, will celebrate its eighth anniversary, Tuesday, April 3. Grand officers are expected to be present.

The Delphian Society of the Willow City, N. D. High School, will sing "Saul" before the Eastern Star Chapter at Bottineau, N. D., April 4th.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Eastern Star, Helena, Mont., are giving entertainments to raise a fund to furnish and maintain a room in the proposed Masonic Home.

From The Trestleboard we learn that Countess Margri, formerly Mrs. General Tom Thumb, was initiated in and became a member of Golden Gate Chapter No. 1, O. E. S., California, February 16, 1906.

The Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Arcana Chapter No. 38, O. E. S., will entertain the Chapter, Tuesday night, April 3. All members of the Order are cordially invited.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Madeleine B. Conkling, is expected to attend the eighteenth annual session of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota, at Sioux Falls, Jaune 12—14.

A fair, festival and bazaar of great magnitude is being planned at Winona for next November, the proceeds to be devoted to furnishing the new Masonic Temple. The Stars will have charge.

The Stars at St. Charles celebrated their tenth anniversary March 19; delegations were present from Chatfield, Winona, Eyota and Plainview; Grand Matron Thomas was present and delivered an address.

Constellation Chapter No. 18, O. E. S., St. Paul, will celebrate its twenty-first anniversary and entertain the officers of the Grand Chapter, Wednesday night, April 4, at Masonic Temple. Supper will be served at 6:30.

The Stars of Chatfield were at home to their husbands and others, Saturday, March 24.

Juno Chapter No. 44, O. E. S., Vermillion, S. D., held a St. Patrick party at Masonic Hall, March 17, at which there was a large attendance; there was a musical program, refreshments were served, and a general good time.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, O. E. S., will entertain the Grand Officers, Monday, April 2; a large number of candidates will be initiated, the work being done by the Past Matrons, with Mrs. Abbie Baker presiding. All members of the Order are cordially invited. Work will begin at sharp eight o'clock.

At the last meeting, March 19, five candidates were initiated, after which refreshments were served and a very enjoyable time had by the one hundred present. Lorraine Chapter is always pleased to welcome visiting Sisters and Brothers.—M. E. Tuttle, Cor.

Mrs. Jeanette Millar, 3449, 3rd Ave. S., entertained the card club of Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, last Wednesday night; a large attendance considering the inclement weather. Mrs. Millar will also be hostess for the thimble bee next Wednesday afternoon, 4th.

Minneapolis Chapter will serve a six o'clock dinner in the Masonic Temple, Monday night, April 30, followed by a "taking" program; plenty of good things to eat and a good time the entire evening; come and bring your friends. Keep this date in mind.—Cor.

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The Masonic Temple at Denver, Col., was destroyed by fire, March 27|

Winona Masons were hosts to their brethren of La Crasse, Wis., last Tuesday.

The Lodge at Paynesville, Minn., will entertain its members with a lecture April 23.

Masons of Appleton have purchased a building and are remodeling it for lodge purposes.

A party of 25 Masons of Fargo went to Casselton last Friday to assist in third degree work.

Olympia Lodge of Perfection conferred the degrees 4—14, on a class from Grays Harbor, March 20.

Masons of Mazeppa entertained their brethren from Lake City, Red Wing and Pine Island, March 20.

Officers of Mankato Commandery No. 4, were installed March 20th, by Past Grand Prelate, Geo. H. Davis, of Faribault.

A large number of Alexandria Masons visited Osakis on the 21st, where they participated in third degree work and banquet.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Thomas Morris, visited Lodges at Merriam Park and Sauk Center last week; he is expected at Alpha No. 230, Wednesday, 4th, and at Duluth 10th, 11th, 12th.

The Masons of Madison, S. D., who recently lost their Hall by fire, will, in conjunction with others, erect a two story block at once.

The Masons of Spring Valley gave a banquet on the 16th, which is said to have been the finest event of the kind ever given there.

At the fifteenth annual reunion of the A. & A. S. R. Bodies of Omaha, held March 26—29, the degrees were conferred on more than fifty.

A billiard tournament, open to all Shriners, is now being played in the rooms of the Masonic club, under the ausplces of El Zagal club, Fargo.

The Scottish Rite Bodies at Milwaukee will hold a reunion April 16, 17, 18, 19; the "Wisconsin Cinsistory Home Asociation" has been incorporated.

The Templars of Lisbon, N. D. will confer the Order of the Temple, and hold annual inspection, April 5; the customary Easter services will be observed April 15.

The Masons of Hibbing have purchased two lots on which they will build a two story structure, 40 by 75 feet, the second story to be used for Lodge purposes.

Fairmont Commendery No. 27, conferred the orders of Red Cross and The Temple on six, March 21; among the visitors was E. S. Miles, Prelate of Cyrene No. 2, Sioux Falls, S. D.

The Welcome Times in defending its objection to the laying of the corner stone of the court house by the Grand Lodge, says: The Times partly expressed the opinion of some af Martin County's tax payers.

A rate of $59.90, round trip, Los Angeles, California, has been fixed for the meeting of the Imperial Council, Mystic Shrine. From the present outlook this will be one of the largest gatherings of Shriners ever held.

The Masonic Temple Company at Brookings, S. D., will put a tile and cement floor in the basement of the Temple, to keep out the water. The editor is reminded that he laid the corner stone of this temple on a day so dry, dusty and windy that it would seem nothing wet could ever approach it; he is further reminded that he has several times been promised a photograph of the completed temple, but has not received it.

Two proposed sites for the Masonic Home at Fort Benton, Mont., have been declared ineligible because the Brother who left a bequest by will provided that the Home should not be located within three miles of an incorporated city.

The Masonic and Eastern Star Bodies of Langford and Pierpont, S. D., recently surprised one of their brethren with the present of a gold watch on the anniversary of his fifty-third birthday.. the recipient was F. P. Martin.

Montrose Commandery, Calumet, Mich., recently conferred the orders on a son of Rev. William B. Coombe, formerly of Calumet, and the first Commander of Black Eagle Commandery No. 8, Great Falls, Mont., at the same time presenting the Rev. Sir Knight with a gold P. C. jewel.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO LAY CORNER STONE.

Presldent Roosevelt will take part In the laying of the cornerstone of the new office building for members of the house of representatives on Saturday, April 7. The ceremony will be almost identical with the laying of the cornerstone of the United States capitol by President Washington, nearly 113 years ago. The Federal Masonic lodge which had charge of the ceremony over a century ago will have the honor of directing the swinging of the cornerstone of the house annex into place. Walter A. Brown, the grand master of Masons of the District of Columbia, will superintend the exercises and addresses will be made by the president and Speaker Cannon.

Three thousand invitations will be issued to prominent men throughout the United States. The cabinet, diplomatic corps, senators, members of the house, the United States supreme court, governors of the various states, prominent army and naval officers and other government officials will attend the ceremony.

In accordance with tradition the stone is at the northeast corner of the building and its locatlon corresponds with that of the capitol cornerstone. Since the original capitol was built wings have been added at the north

and south ends, so that the keystone of the building is now well toward the center of that great structure.

The foundation of the magnificent new office building is completed and the floor beams for the first story are now in place. Upon these a temporary floor will be laid and seats provided for the guests who will view the ceremony. The high wooden fence which now surrounds the foundation will be partly torn away, that a view of the ceremony may be had by persons who cannot be provided with seats.

In accordance with Masonic traditions the ceremony will be in the open air and the persons who participate in it will have no protection from the weather regardless of what conditions may be. Simplicity will mark the event and all pretension will be avoided. In every detail it will correspond as nearly as possible with the ceremony in which President Washington participated. The articles placed in the cornerstone, as far as practicable, will be identical with those deposited in the capitol stone by Federal lodge and as both President Roosevelt and Speaker Cannon are members of the Masonic order, the occasion will in every way harmonize with the spirit of the ceremony directed by the Virginia jurisdiction.

The Symphony Concert Co., which is composed of Prof. Wistrom, a noted violinist of Minneapolis, Miss Wiedman, Pianist, and the Misses Mae and Julia Obrecht, Cornet and Clarinet soloists, entered upon a concert tour Monday, giving the first concert at Howard Lake.

They have engagements at Cokato, Dassell, Grove City, Atwater, Clara City, Bellingham, Madelia and several other towns. This company is well known and always pleases its patrons.

ORDER OF THE AMARANTH.

Saint Paul Court, Order of the Amaranth, will be organized some time in April; all members of the Order, residing in St. Paul, desiring to become charter members of this Court, are requested to write to Mrs. Annie M. Kieler, 2416 S. Humboldt Ave., Minneapolis, who will send them a receipt for dues paid to March 30, 1906, or will send a letter stating that they are in good standing in the Order. This should be done without delay.

The Stars of Estelline, S. D., entertained the Grand Matron, March 19, and the Masons held a school of instruction, the Grand Lecturer presiding, on Tuesday night.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

The Observer will be glad to publish all Masonic Notices.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, entered three last Wednesday night.

W. C. Wescott of Albert Lea, was a visitor at 224 last Tuesday.

Khurum Lodge No. 112, has the Master Mason degree bulletined for Friday, 6th.

The wife of A. E. Whitmore, of Cataract No. 2, fell on the ice recently and broke an arm.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, passed five last Thursday night and will confer the Master degre Friday 6th.

Bros. Allen of Deadwood, S. D., and McBride of Bismarck, N. D., were chumming at 224 last Tuesday.

The officers of Darius Commandery No. 7, were installed last Wednesday by Sir Knight E. A. Whitmore.

Jos. Van Sickle of Aitkin, a charter member of 224, attended the social given by his Lodge last Tuesday.

Carmel Lodge of Perfection, St. Paul, will confer the fourteenth degree, Perfect Elu, Thursday night, 5th.

The Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Minneapolis, will hold a reunion April 9, 10, 11, 12. Petitions should be sent in at once.

We expect to publish a full account of the Malta Festival next week; persons wanting extra copies should order at once.

Plymouth Lodge No. 160, will confer the F. C. degree tonight, Monday, and the Master Mason degree next Monday night, 9th.

R. L. DOCKERAY, WATCH REPAIRER, is now located at 127, Seventh Street South, where he will be pleased to see his friends.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., will confer the Past and Most Excellent degrees, Thursday, 5th. This Chapter "marked" five last Thursday.

Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine, will hold a ceremonial meeting, Friday, 13th, don't let this combination of day and date frighten you; send in your petitions.

Triune Lodge No. 190, Merriam Park, Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., conferred degrees March 19, the stations being filled by Masters of Minneapolis Lodges; refreshments were served after the work.

The Knight Templar, acting as one of the guards of the Banner of the Order, who borrowed a pair of gauntlets of the Captain will confer a favor by leaving them at the office of the Observer.

A delegation of ten members of the Acacia Club, the Masonic club at the University, recently visited Humboldt Lodge No. 132, at Young America, where they were royally entertained by the Lodge and citizens.

Dont forget the card and dancing-party to be given by Palestine Chapter, O. E. S., the 3d week in April; a large room will be provided for cards; the Chapter room will be used for dancing; there will be accommodations for all.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, Passed three last Wednesday night, the Senior Warden presiding and Past Master Thomas Read delivering the Middle chamber lecture with the aid of the stereopticon. This Lodge will confer the Master Mason degree April 18.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224 gave the first of a series of three open meetings for members and their friends, Tuesday night, 27th; the others will be in April and May on dates to be announced. The program will be arranged by Brothers Turnblad, Towne and Greer. The program for the 27th., was as follows: Fishing on Sunday, Central High School Glee Club; The Mason's duty as a Citizen, W. P. Roberts, Sen. G. Warden; Sweet Kentucky Belle, Glee Club; The Awakening of China, Prof. J. N. Greer; The Tack, Glee Club; Middle Chamber Lecture, L. N. McWhorter, stereopticon illustrations by A. H. Sindell; Old Black Joe, Glee Club. In the absence of W. M. Foster, who is out of the city, Sen. War. McWhorter presided. There was a large attendance of members and many guests. Junior Warden Hazzard was in charge of the refreshments and set out an apeptizing lunch in the Library room.

Zuhrah's Ladies' will hold a regular session at 2:30, Friday, 6th. In the evening this society will entertain their husbands at their rooms in Masonic Temple. Supper will be served at 6:30.

Mrs. W. M. Walker is Chairman of committee on entertainment. The program for the evening is as follows: Toasts, Mrs. C. E. Foster, Toastmaster, Zuhrah's Ladies, Mrs. J. L. Brown; Zuhrah Temple, C. E. Ovenshire; Our Candidates, Mrs. J. A. Falconer; Our Guests, Dr. L. F. Foote; Our object and aim, Mrs. W. A. Merriam.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 will confer the Entered Apprentice degree on several candidates on Tuesday evening, April 3. Brethren cordially invited.

Brothers Albert T. Ellis, lately of Los Angeles, California, and Alex W. Lumsden, lately of Portland, Oregon, both of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, are seriously ill in Minneapolis. Each of these Brothers was obliged to relinquish responsible and lucrative positions in business because of failing health. The sympathy of the Brethren is extended to these unfortunate Brothers.

Minnesota No. 224, Entered two at a special last Thursday night; this Lodge expects to confer degrees at the regular on the 3rd; it is not certain

At its annual conclave last Wednesday night Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, K. T., elected the following: Walter H. Cobban, Commander, Charles G. Laybourn, Generalissimo, Horace C. Parlin, Captain General, William H. Germond, Senior Warden, Silas H. Towler, Junior Warden, Charles A. Grahn, Treasurer, John M. Norris, Recorder, Vivian D. Jones, Prelate. These officers will be installed Wednesday night, April 11.

THE ACACIA CLUB.

The Masonic Observer in its issues of October 30 and Nov. 6, 1905, published a history of the Acacia Club, an organization of Masons at the University of Minnesota. This club has now become a constituent member of the association of Masonic clubs which have been organized among the Universities and are fast growing into national importance.

An applicant for membership must be a Master Mason in good standing in some Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, or recognized by it.

Some of the objects of the club are to promote Masonic fellowship among the University students who are members of the Masonic institution, to have general oversight and care of student members, to extend proper care to the sick and needy, etc.

The Club hopes to be able to erect and own a suitable home, and with this in view has incorporated and offers a limited amount of its stock at $10.00 per share. Individual Masons who have sons at the University, and Lodges having members among the student body ought to purchase some of the stock; honorary memberships are provided for such patrons. Every Lodge in the state can well afford to assist this body to the extent of one share.

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CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. Cty Hall. 33).

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STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
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Work in E. A. degree.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Albert Pike 237 (Hopkins).
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THURSDAY EVENING.
SPECIAL.
Braden 168 (St. P.), 6th bet. W. & St. Peter.
Excelsior Lodge of Perfection No. 2, Mas. Tem
SPECIAL.
Carmel Lodge of Perfection No. 1 (St. P.)
St. John's Chapter No. 9 R. A. M.
Work in P. and M. E. degrees.

FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
St. Paul No. 3, (St. P.) Mas. Hall.
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Zuhrah's Ladies, Mas. Tem., 2:30 p. m.
SPECIAL.
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LINES ON A SKELETON.

[About 1820 the London Morning Chronicle published a poem entitled "Lines on a Skeleton," which excited much attention. Every effort, even to the offering a reward of fifty guineas, was vainly made to discover the author. All that ever transpired was that the poem, in a fair clerkly hand, was found near a skeleton of remarkable beauty of form and color, in the Museum of the Royal College of Surgeons, Lincoln's Inn, London, and that the curator of the museum had sent them to Mr. Perry, editor and proprietor of the Morning Chronicle.]

Behold this ruin! 'Twas a skull,
Once of etheral spirit full.
This narrow cell was Life's retreat,
This space was Thought's mysterious seat.
What beauteous visions filled this spot,
What dreams of pleasure long forgot.
Nor Hope, nor Love, nor Joy, nor Fear,
Have left one trace of record here.

Beneath this mouldering canopy
Once shone the bright and busy eye;
But, start not at the dismal void—
If social Love that eye employed;
If with no lawless fire it gleamed,
But through the dews of kindness beamed,
That eye shall be forever bright
When stars and suns are sunk in night.

Within this hollow cavern hung
The ready, swift and tuneful tongue.
If Falsehood's honey it disdained,
And where it could not praise, was chained;
If bold in Virtue's cause it spoke,
Yet gentle Concord never broke!
This silent tongue shall plead for thee
When Time unveils Eternity.

Say, did these fingers delve the mine?
Or with its envied rubies shine?
To hew the rock, or wear the gem,
Can little now avail to them.
But if the page of Truth they sought,
Or comfort to the mourner brought,
These hands a richer meed shall claim
Than all that wait on Wealth or Fame.

Avails it whether bare or shod,
These feet the paths of duty trod?—
If from the bowers of Ease they fled,
To seek Affliction's humble shed,
If Grandeur's guilty bribe they spurned
And home to Virtue's cot returned,
These feet with angel's wings shall vie,
And tread the palace of the sky.

PASSAGES FROM THE ORATION OF ELMER A. KLING, GRAND ORATOR.

(Continued from last week.)

When under the leadership of the men who demonstrated that the Declaration that was made was practical and not theoretical, and the independece was gained and the Constitution established, diplomats and statesmen were astonished by the abolition of class distinction and all titles of nobility; but it was the application to civil government of what Masons had long been taught—to meet upon the level—to regard no man for his worldly wealth or honors, and that it is the internal and not the external qualifications of a man by which he should be judged.

As we see the wonderful adaptability of Masonry to these changed conditions and ways of modern times; as we study the history of the nations that have followed the teachings taught by it and marked their rise in power, in wisdom and wealth, and all that makes a nation great, and then followed the course of those who disregarded the principles which it revered, and sank in influence, in wealth, and intellect until only history reminds us of their existence, we can but believe that this country which in less than three hundred years has grown from a handful of devout men and women to one of the greatest of the many great nations of the twentieth century, is indebted not only to its continued existence but to its prosperity and development, to the principles so steadfastly announced by its founders, and that before entering upon the great and important undertaking they had in view not only invoked, but obtained, the blessings of Deity. Ours is a government founded on the principles of Masonry.

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If Masonry is entitled to this credit in the part it has taken in the development of our country it ought also to accept a part at least of the responsibility for the conditions that exist today, and it is not to be denied that where a class of men by special privileges have amassed fortunes that would outshine Croesus and spend them with a prodigality that would have made Solomon blush. * * * * * *

When these things exist, as they do exist today, and the perpetrators of these wrongs and crimes defiantly declare that the government is powerless to punish them, the most charitable expression that I can think of to use is that it affords serious reflection for the thinking man. I do not want to be understood as wanting to parade a political question before this body of men nor do I wish to be understood as wanting to find fault, but these things are not in accord with the spirit of Masonry. It is not a question of politics or religion; it is a question of right and wrong; and these things, as measured by God's law, are wrong; and if any of these offenders are wearing the badge of Masonry it should be taken from them, for they are coining the gold of its jewels to use in the marts of trade, and using the emblem of Masonic purity to cover their corruption, even as the whited sepulchers of old kept from sight of men the putrefaction and decay that lay therein. Masonry owes it to itself by tradition and by policy to stand for these prin-

ciples of the Institution, for these principles will endure, as they have and always will, for it is part of the Divine plan, and a man, a country or an institution that sets itself up in opposition to this plan is destined to defeat.

But we do not believe that Masonry will fail in the future any more than it has been found wanting in the past. We believe that it has a mission and a future more glorious than the past. It wages now, as ever, the great irrepressible conflict, that of truth against falsehood, of intelligence over ignorance, of right against error. Its landmarks, legends, teaching and traditions mark the pathway its votaries have trod, and point to the land of truth and justice, as truly as the compass of the mariner guides him in the direction of the polar star.

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Again, and see the members of this great Fraternity, in secrecy practicing charity, relieving the distressed, rejoicing in each other's prosperity, doing good, exemplifying truth, walking in the light, the light that shines from our altar, living Masonry. Hear the prayer of thanksgiving that goes up to Heaven from the widow for those who have helped her in the hour of sorrow. Remember the lesson taught to us by the Grand Master to whom integrity was dearer than life, and forget not the noble men and women that carried this principle with them through their daily lives, and lived Masonry, not because it was Masonry, but because it was a part of the law of God. These are the true monuments of Masonry. They are building now wherever the universal language of the craft is spoken and the spirit of Masonry exists. They were built before this great country that we are proud to call our home knew of civilization; before the hewers in the mountains and the stone squarers in the quarries and the artizans at Jerusalem builded the Temple; before Greece was known or the hills of Rome were peopled. Yes, they have stood since when God in his wisdom and goodness first said "let there be light," for then it was that he said "I will make man in the image of God, and he shall know my law, which is the law of love." They will last forever for they are of God, and time is not reckoned by the Omnipotent.

It has ben said that Masonry will cease to exist when constant light shall dispel all darkness, when right has triumphed over wrong, when the tear of sorrow shall cease to fall, and when brotherly love shall prevail. It is true that when the light from our altar reaches to the uttermost parts of the earth, when there shall be no tear but the tear of joy that shall gladden the heart, and when every man shall call his neighbor brother, the aggressive mission of Masonry wil be at an end. But when that time comes, Masonry instead of ceasing to exist will begin to live in all the fullness of her strength and glory; for from the land of the midnight sun to the chill and gloom of the undiscovered southern seas, from the frost bound coasts of Alaska and Siberia to the burning sands of Africa, from the west to the east, and back to the west again, there shall be sung one song, set to the universal music of Masonry, that shall rise from all the earth to that undiscovered country, up through the streets of the eternal city to that house not made with hands, and to the great throne where reigns the Grand Artificer of Heaven and of Earth. And that song and chorus shall be, Glory, Glory, Glory to God, Glory to God in the Highest.

A. & A. S. R.
Spring Convocation.

The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Minneapolis, will hold their Spring Convocation as follows:

Excelsior Lodge of Perfection, H. B. Marchbank, V. M., Monday, April 9, afternoon at 1, evening at 7:30; the 4th, 5th, 6th, 9th, 13th and 14th degrees will be conferred, the remainder communicated. Music, double Quartet.

St. Vincent de Paul Chapter Rose Croix, T. V. Moreau, W. M., Tuesday, 10th., afternoon at 4:30, evening at 7:30; 15th., 16th., 17th. degrees will be communicated, the 18th., conferred. Music, double Quartet.

Alfred Elisha Ames Council Knights Kadosh, O. R. Fehlhaber, Commander, Wednesday, 11th., afternoon at 3:00, evening at 7:30; 21st. and 30th., in full. New and very beautiful costumes have been procured for the Twenty-first degree which will be put on in more elaborate style than ever before attempted here. Music, double Quartet.

Minneapolis Consistory, William Hartley, M. of K., Thursday, 12th., high twelve; 31st, and 32d. degrees. Music, double Quartet.

The Maunday Thursday Banquet will be served at 7:00 o'clock, on the 8th. floor; brethren will assemble on the fourth floor at 6:45 sharp. There will be a roll call. All brethren of the Rite, of whatever degree, are invited to the banquet.

Extinguishing the lights will follow the banquet.

Re-lighting the lights, Easter Morning, Sunday, 15th., 8:30 sharp; breakfast will be served after the ceremony.

Fees for the Scottish Rite degrees are: Lodge of Perfection, $25.00; Chapter Rose Croix, $25.00; Council of Kadosh, $30.00; Consistory, $56.50.

Col. Sam. E. Adams is Sovereign Grand Inspector General of the Rite in the State, and Lieutenant Grand Commander of the Southern Jurisdiction.

The Bodies have in the membership, eighteen Inspectors General Honorary, 33d. degree, twenty-two Knights Commander of the Court of Honor and eight hundred and seven of all other degrees. David W. Knowlton, 515-516 Masonic Temple, is Secretary of all the Bodies.

SAINT PAUL.—As heretofore noticed in this paper, Carmel Lodge of Perfection conferred the degrees-4-13, between March 21 and 30; April 5, the Fourteenth was conferred.

Special assemblies of St. Paul Chapter Rose Croix No. 1, will be held as follows: Saturday, April 7, 8 p. m., Fifteenth degree, Benjamin J. Shipman, presiding; Tuesday, April 10, 8 p. m., Seventeenth degree, James Ridler, Presiding; Wednesday, April 18, 7:30 p. m., Eighteenth degree, Isaac Seddon, presiding. The music will be under the direction of D. F. Colville.

Maunday Thursday Banquet, Thursday, April 12, 7 p. m. Toasts: "To the Government of the Country," Franklin W. Murphy; "To the Supreme Council and the Grand Commander," W. H. S. Wright; "To Brother Samuel Emery Adams, our Inspector General in Minnesota"—; "To the Grand Lodge," Henry M. Tusler; "To the memory of the brethren of the degree, whose labors here below have ceased during the past year," Charles E. Riggs; "To all Masons and Masonic Bodies, of all Rites and Degrees over the surface of the earth; "Honors and Laurels to the worthy; health to the sick, comfort to the needy; and succor to the oppressed everywhere"; James T. Christisen. The ceremony of extinguishing the lights will take place in the evening.

The ceremony of relighting the Lights will take place on Easter Sunday at 12:15 p. m.

The annual meeting and election of officers of this Chapter will be held Thursday night, April 19, at 8 o'clock. George Herbert is Secretary of all the Bodies.

A Subscriber? If not, why?

THE EASTERN STAR.

Mrs. Morrison, W. M. of Palestine Chapter, was seriously indisposed last week.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, has a card party bulletined, to be given in the Library, Thursday, 19th.

The Stars of Sheldon, N. D., entertained the Stars of Enderlin recently; there was a large attendance.

The officers of Royal Chapter No. 42, Chatfield gave a largely attended reception to the members, March 24.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, will have a social meeting Wednesday night, 10th, in connection with its regular.

After regular business, Friday, March 23, Columbian No. 59, Fairmont, gave a reception to members and friends.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, has a card party bulletined for Thursday, 12th, 8 p. m., and a six o'clock supper, Monday 30th.

Lorraine Social Club will meet with Mrs. Charles Simpson, 815, 6th. S. E., Tuesday afternoon, 10th.; all members and friends are cordially invited.

"Twenty-six members of the O. E. S. responded to an invitation to visit the brethren in Elroy Tuesday evening. Over one hundred guests were present.—Press, Reedsburg, Mar. 29.

The Stars of Elbow Lake, Minn., entertained at the residence of one of their members, for Mrs. A. Fisher, who is about to remove to Manfred, N. D.

Mrs. Kendall being about to remove to Norwich, N. D., the Stars of Stewartville, Minn., gave her a reception and presented her with a set of silver spoons having the initials of the Order engraved thereon.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, will give a dancing and card party, Monday, 16th.; dancing in the Hall, sixth floor and cards in the armory, 7th. floor. Admission 25 cents. There will be room for all and a pleasant time is assured.

The Ladies of Plymouth Chapter No. 19, O. E. S., will hold an Easter sale at Masonic Hall, 304, 20th. Ave. North, Wednesday, April 18, afternoon and evening. Supper will be served at 6:30. Tickets 25 cts.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16 entertained the officers of the Grand Chapter at its last regular meeting, April 12. The Past Matrons of the Chapter conferred the degrees on a large class, about 250 members being present. Supper was served at 6:30, to 130 members. Lorraine is doing good work under the present administration; let the good work of our Order go on.—M. E. T. Cor.

Arcana Chapter No. 38, O. E. S., had a delightful evening last Tuesday, the Past Matrons and Past Patrons being hostesses and hosts; many members of Palestine, Minneapolis and Harmony Chapters were present. A pleasing program of music, recitations, etc., was rendered.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, will have its next card party in the Library, second floor, Masonic Temple, Thursday evening, April 12th. Sisters Nettie Murch, Adda Coot, Louisa Adams and Mary E. R. McGuire will act as hostesses. Please note the change to Thursday evening instead of Wednesday.

Sister Emily Dysinger, 1037 3rd St. No., will entertain the thimble bee for the chapter, Wednesday afternoon, April 18th. A more detailed announcement of the good time in store for the members and friends of No. 9 on the evening of April 30, will be given in the next issue. In the meantime keep the date in mind, April 30th, Monday evening. At the regular meeting Monday night an interesting program will be prepared and chapter will "call off" that all friends as well as members may enjoy it.—Correspondent.

Thursday afternoon, April 12, Mistletoe Court No. 1, O. of A., will entertain at cards. Supper will be served at 6:30 p. m. under the supervision of Mrs. Carrie Newton and Mrs. Mary Gibbon, in Commandery Hall, Masonic Temple. Visitors attending the card party, also Candidates, members and friends are cordially invited to be present.—Annie M. Keiler, Sec.

MANKATO LODGE NO. 12.
1856-1906.

Mankato Lodge No. 12, celebrated its semi-centennial, Saturday, March 10. There were 250 present, including several of the grand officers. C. A. Chapman, Treasurer of the lodge delivered an address from which we quote.

"As we sit here in this comfortable room, on luxurious seats, with soft carpets under foot, and refulgent light streaming over us, it is well to picture for a moment the scene as it appeared in 1856. Just across the street from where you now sit stood the little log building in which our first work was done. There they sat; the faithful pioneers; on rough, hard seats, with rough, hard floor beneath their feet; their light the dim glimmer of candles. Their altar was a rough wooden box, in which goods had been packed. Their square and compass were such as carpenters use. But their dry goods box altar was as sacred to them as this polished altar is to us. The cardinal virtues existed there as well as now, and the great maxim principles of brotherly love, relief and truth shone in that poor lodge room with a lustre that is not dimmed by the lapse of years, nor by all the brilliant luxury of the twentieth century. The first stone of our Masonic edifice was there laid, and its name was Isaac Marks. A suggestive name, when we reflect that at the building of King Solomon's temple the marks on the stones were the sign of good masonic work. It was appropriate also that our first initiated member was one of that ancient and illustrious race that produced our first grand master, Solomon. As in a temple the foundation is the important part, on which the welfare of the superstructure depends, we may consider the lodge fortunate in laying so true and square a cornerstone as Isaac Marks, for I can confidently say that he, as much as any member of this lodge exemplified in his life the exalted virtues of Free Masonry. He was that noblest work of God, an honest man.

"The petitioners for the dispensation, which was granted by Grand Master Pierson on March 10, 1856, were Geo. Maxfield, Henry Shaubut, Matthew Thompson, Basil Moreland, David Compbell, William H. McNutt, Norman L. Jackson and Robert Wardlaw. They named the lodge "Mankato", and this name you will observe, has a certain occult significance, for it is derived from the Dakotah words "Mahkah-to," which mean "Blue Earth," appropriate name for a blue lodge.

"If the shades of these departed brothers are here with us tonight, do they feel satisfied, think you, with the result of their work? Do they consider the superstructure that we are rearing worthy of the foundation which tney laid? Theirs was the heroic age of Masonry in Mankato. These ancient brethren, like the Argonauts of old, loom large upon our horizon. Theirs was the toil and privation; ours the repose and fruition. We reap the fruit of their labors. Let us then so conduct ourselves and the affairs of our lodge that when in 1956 the centennial of Mankato lodge is celebrated, and future brothers may look back to us and to our time with pride, saying of us as we may say now of our founders: Well done, good and faithful servants."

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The Masons at Roseau are planning for a Lodge.

The Masonic Bodies at Lake City have moved into new and modern rooms just completed by them.

The Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, Minn., will hold its 41st. annual conclave Wednesday, 25th.

The Royal Arch Chapter Masons of Albert Lea, recently entertained the Master Masons with a "stag" social.

Winona Chapter, Rose Croix, No. 5, will observe the usual Maunday and Easter services; Thursday, 12th., 8 p. m.; Sunday, 15th., 9:30, a. m., Masonic Hall.

Star in the West Lodge No. 60, Sauk Center, held a school of instruction, commencing March 27 and closing 29th. Grand Master Morris was in attendance.

R. A. Chapter Marks.—Answering a question of the Tyler-Keystone, Minnesota requires the selection and registering of a "mark" before advancement to the R. A.

Damascus Com., No. 10, K. T., Aberdeen, S. D., will attend Easter services at St. Mark's episcopal church, Sunday afternoon, 15th.

Vol. 1, No. 1, of THE BRIGHTER DAY, for circulation amongst the inmates of prisons, reformatories and jails, published by Evangeline Booth, Commander of the Salvation Army, appeared April 1.

Wilson Welch, Lempster, N. H., said to be the oldest Mason in the U. S., and the oldest surviving member of the Union army in the civil war, was born in St. Andrews, N. H., March 29, 1800.

Henry D. Powers, the conductor who gained renown by running his train through the Hinckley fire some years ago, died at St. Luke's Hospital, St. Paul, March 31; he leaves a widow and two children, residing in St. Paul. He was a Mason.

A number of Spokane shriners and members of Masonic lodges attended the opening of the new Masonic Temple at Walla Walla, Mar. 27. The temple is a beautiful building, handsomely decorated, and the pride of all Masons of eastern Washington. A number of lodges from near Walla Walla attended in a body. The dedication was conducted by Past Grand Master Dr. E. H. Van Patten, who was deputized by Grand Master A. L. Miller.

Eau Claire Commandery No. 8, K. T. (is it not Chippewa No. 8?) recently conferred the Order of Red Cross on the son of Grand Commander Herrick; this meeting was notable because of the many distinguished Masons present, among whom were Grand Commander Herrick, Past Grand Commander Ure, P. G. H. P., Schwahn, P. G. M., Cotton, P. D. G. M., Meggett, D. G. M., Farr, and others. The editor of the Observer received the Orders in this Commandery in November, 1874.

BOB THOMPSON IN THE CLOUDS.

Robert M. Thompson, a rising young attorney of Minneapolis and a member of the "East Side" Masonic Bodies, attended an "open air" Masonic Lodge meeting August 16 last, which is described in the Boston Globe; the meeting place is near Newport, Vermont.

"Acting under its special charter, the annual outdoor meeting and initiation of Golden Rule lodge of Masons of Stanstead, Que, was held this afternoon on the summit of Owls Head mountain, the outdoor lodge-room was first used at the time of border warfares, when Masons sought a safe place for their meetings. Nature had provided much that was necessary for equipping the Masonic lodge room.

About 100 were in the party, including Masonic brethren from Chicago, Minneapolis, Boston and various places in Massachusetts, Stanstead and other places in the provinec of Quebec. The Masons, with their families, left Newport on the afternoon boat, and proceeded to the base of the mountain, the brothers making the ascent and the families remaining at the base. The climb took about one and a half hours. The oldest Mason climbing the precipitous mountain was Hartley Gates, 74 years of age.

The work was exemplified entirely by Golden Rule lodge of Stanstead, the stations being occupied by Oscar F. Caswell, W. M.; George Morrill, S. W.; B. H. Rider, J. W.; J. Robert Nourse, S. D.; Arthur Curtis, J. D.; Rev. J. N. Emery, chaplain. The candidates were Ralph Hunt and R. H. Perkins.

Owing to the approaching darkness the work was somewhat hurried, and it was evening when the party returned to the base of the mountain."

WM. McKINLEY.

At a recent Scottish Rite meeting Gen. Horatio C. King gave some reminiscences of the civil war and told how President McKinley came to join the order.

"It was during the campaign in the Shenandoah valley," he said. "McKinley, then a captain, and myself, his ranking officer at that time, were walking through a hospital tent in which were a number of Confederate wounded. The captain seemed surprised to see the surgeon in charge of the ward talking to some of the Confederates as if he had known them all his life. He shook hands with them all, giving here and there small sums of money until his supply was exhausted. McKinley asked the surgeon if he knew the men.

"No," he replied.

"Well, do you ever expect to get the money back?" McKinley asked.

"I presume some of them will return it when they can," said the doctor.

"Why did you give it to them, anyway?"

"They were Masons," said the doctor. The reply impressed McKinley so that he immediately joined the lodge at Winchester, made famous by "Sheridan's Ride." After the war he took his dimit to Canton lodge.

Sunshine Chapter No. 98, St. Charles, celebrated its tenth anniversary, March 19, W. G. M. Elizabeth Thomas was a guest.

A TOO-PREVIOUS VISITOR.

Sometimes a would-be-visitor becomes "too previous" and it is necessary to administer a lesson as in the following case from The What Cheer Trestle Board:

"On one occasion a person presented himself at the door of that Lodge, desiring to be admitted as a visitor. A Committee was sent out to examine him, and he soon got ahead of the Committee, answering questions before they were asked, and instructing the Committee generally. He was so very ready that the Committee were in doubt as to the quality of his Masonry, and hesitated about recommending him for admittance, thinking him what was then called a "book mason," or one who was travelling on his pretended knowledge of the ritual, derived from some so-called exposé.

The Committee being in doubt, reported the case to the Master, stating that he appeared to be an uncommonly bright Mason, in fact too bright to be genuine.

In order to avoid any possible discourtesy to one who might in absence of objection be entitled to sit as a visitor, and to satisfy the Lodge as to his qualifications, Father Lawson, as he was called, was requested to examine the applicant, and the same performance was repeated on the part of the visitor.

When the examination was completed, evidently to the great satisfaction of the applicant, Brother Lawson said to him in substance, "We will recommend that you be permitted to enter, but will not now examine you as to how you are to come out, and the Lord only knows how you will be able to do it."

This process was not in the book, and the fellow concluded that he would not stop to visit, and departed.

This showed that the suspicions of the Committee were correct as to his Masonry.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

E. W. Greenfield, Ark No. 176, is in Oakland, Cal.

O. H. Ingram has gone to Calgary, Alberta, Can.

Bro. H. M. Myers is on duty again after a long siege of sickness.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, has the M. M. degree bulletined for the 18th.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, conferred the M. M. degree on five last Friday night.

Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., will confer the Mark degree Monday night, 9th.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, will confer the F. C. degree Wednesday night, 11th.

Dr. L. F. Foote, of Zion Commandery, has been in Buffalo, N. Y., the past week..

Plymouth Lodge No. 160, will confer the Master Mason degree tonight, Monday.

E. C. Merton late of Salina, Kan., has returned to the city and is at 1512, 2d. Ave. S.

H. H. Heath, Ark Lodge No. 176, is recovering from a severe attack of appendicitis.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, K. T., Installation of officers, Wednesday night, 11th.

Mel. E. Wood has gone to Chicago for a few days; he will attend Maunday Thursday services there.

E. E. Swan, J. G. W., was in the city last week, serving as a U. S. juror; the Observer acknowledges a pleasant visit.

Ark Lodge No. 176, will confer the Master Mason degree on six in the afternoon and evening of Thursday, 19th.

Bishop Fowler of New York is seriously sick and his Easter engagements in Minneapolis have been cancelled.

Minnesota No. 224, conferred the E. A. degree on one, last Tuesday night; Junior Grand Warden Swan was a visitor.

Nathan H. Jones, DeSoto Com. No. 49, K. T., Plattsburgh, N. Y., is sojourning in the City; he is at 15 S. 4th. St.

South Dakota was represented at Minneapolis No. 19, Wednesday night, by James Solberg of Meridian No. 94, Lake Preston.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., conferred the Past Master and Most Excellent Master degrees at a special last Thursday night; an incident occurred which developed the fact that there were a large number of "Past Masters" present. The Royal Arch degree was conferred on six Saturday night.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will hold a special communication Tuesday night, 10th., to confer the Entered Apprentice degree.

The Observer is compelled to postpone its write-up of the Malta Festival until next week because of delay in obtaining desired matter.

W. B. Saunders, a banker of Milbank, S. D., and Member of Milbank Lodge No. 20, is seriously ill at the Northwestern hospital, Minneapolis.

W. C. Pinkerton, an old resident and member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, was buried by that lodge, Friday, 6th.; services at the residence, 7, Lakeside Ave.

R. L. DOCKERY, WATCH REPAIRER, 316 Nicollet Ave., has removed to 127, Seventh Street, South. If your watch needs repairs take it to him for best work.

Charles H. Berg, formerly a member of Khurum Lodge No. 112, residing at No. 9, Harmon Ave., was buried April 3; funeral services at the residence were conducted by the Lodge.

The Masonic Library Association being in need of funds to make additions to the Library, has arranged for an illustrated lecture to be given the latter part of this or first of next month. Admission charge will be 25 cts. It is hoped that the Masonic and Eastern Star Bodies will patronize this as liberally as possible. Watch the Observer for date.

O. A. Gardner, member of Cataract No. 2, and Mrs. Gardner have been visiting in Bufalo, N. Y., and Pennsylvania; Mrs. G. is now in the latter state but Bro. Gardner has returned home; he has lived here about forty years and is homesick when absent.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4 will confer the F. C. degree, Wednesday night, 11th.

C. A. Erdmann, Thos. G. Lee, F. Alex. Stewart, Julius Frelin, Andrew Johnson and Leopold Stickmest, members of the Acacia Club of the U. of M., recently attended Humboldt Lodge at Young America; the occasion was the "raising" of a student of the University residing at that town. Dr. Erdmann gave an address on what constitutes a good Mason; Prof. Frelin related some Phillipine experiences; Dr. Lee told of what Masonry had done to uplift mankind and Prof. Stewart told what the Acacia Club was doing for Masons at the "U". Of course there was a woman in it for our informant says that Miss Mamie E. Lambert was induced to make a few remarks.

R. W. Hanson, Great Falls, Montana, called on the Observer last week and talked over old time Masonic doings in Minneapolis. Brother Hanson was made in Hennepin No. 4, in 1870; he was also a member of Saint Johns Chapter, Minneapolis Council and Zion Commandery; he left Minneapolis about twenty-five years ago; he retains membership in Minneapolis Council, but became a charter member of Chapter and Commandery at Great Falls; he is temporarily at 2320 Bloomington Ave., city.

ZION COMMANDERY NO. 2, K. T.

The officers of this Commandery will be installed at the stated convocation, Tuesday, April 10, by C. E. Ovenshire, Grand Captain General, assisted by Past Commander L. F. Foote, as Marshal.

Roster of officers: Henry Hahn, Commander; Geo. W. Critten, Generalissimo; E. R. Haseltine, Captain General; M. O. Gabriel, Senior Warden; J. H. Werring, Junior Warden; Rev. C. F. Sharpe, Prelate; W. M. Walker, Treasurer; C. E. Ovenshire, Recorder; D. B. Thomas, Standard Bearer; L. A. Bean, Sword Bearer; J. F. Schefcik, Warder; D. A. Clark, 3d. Guard; C. H. Blackwell, 2d. Guard; Jesse A. Chase, 1st Guard; Horatio Werring, 3d. Hermit; Geo. W. Tietsworth, 2d. Hermit; C. W. Kirkland, 1st. Hermit; E. J. Hodges, Sentinel. Let there be a large attendance.

KNIGHT TEMPLAR EASTER SERVICE.

As announced some time since, Zion Commandery will be host and Darius and Minneapolis Mounted will be guests at the Easter Services which will be held Sunday, April 15, 3 o'clock p. m., at the Plymouth Congregational Church, 8th. St. and 1st. Ave. South. The services will be under the direction of Rev. Charles F. Sharpe, Prelate of Zion Commandery.

Program: Prelude, Sir Knight S. C. Gilbert, Organist; Invocation, Sir Knight, J. S. Montgomery, D. D.; Vocal, Masonic Quartet; Prayer, Sir Knight Joseph B. Hingeley, D. D.; Vocal Solo, H. Louise Johnson; Scripture Reading, Sir Knight J. S. Montgomery, D. D.; Tenor Solo, Sir Knight, Frank R. Wilson; Sermon, Sir Knight, George H. Bridgman, D. D.; L. L. D., President of Hamline University.

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Cataract 2, (Mpls.) 1st Sat., 20-22 Univ. av. S. E. Frank L. Gowen, W. M. W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Av. S. E.

ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 6 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., H. M. Myers, Sec., 704 Mas. Tem. (T. C. 2780, N. W. M. 703.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Summit 163.. (St. P.) 2nd and 4th Fri. H. P. Fahnestock, W. M., (N. W. M. 2660; T. C. 375). R. B. Ware, Sec., 1002 Pioneer Press Bldg. (N. W. M. 1407-L; T. C. 447.)

Minnehaha 165. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Tues. 1535 E. Lake st. Thos. W. Allen, W. M., 3110 20th av. S. (N. W. M. 438-J.) H. S. Goff, Sec., 2628 Clinton av.

Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

Ark 176. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Nic. and 31st st. C. C. Kramer, W. M., 424 Nicollet. E. C. Noyes, Sec., 503 Gty, Loan. (T. C. 700.) Meetings 8 P. M.

Midway 185 (St. P.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Hall, 761 Snelling Ave., Hamline; Chas. T. Pohling, W. M., St. Anthony Pk.; E. L. Allard, Sec., Hamline, (T. C. 6023; Selby 23-2. Prior 28-2.)

Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

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CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. Cty Hall. 33).

Albert Pike 237. (Hopkins.) 1st and 3d Wed. Wm. L. Fuedner, W. M. Frank K. Wade, Sec., St. Louis Park car at Hen. and 29th st. or Lake Minnetonka car.

FELLOWSHIP 252—(N. St. P.) 2d and 4th Monday. J. W. Herrick, W. M.; E. E. Stone, Sec.

Montgomery 253 (St. P.). 1st and 3d Wed., Masonic Hall, cor. Payne av. and Wells st. A. W. Bergstrom, W. M., H. H. Blinn, Sec., 710 E. Jessamine st.

Ramsey, U. D. (St. Anthony Park.) 1st and 3rd Friday. I. O. O. F. Hall. Fred Joerns, W. M., E. J. Whitman, Sec.

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MINNESOTA NO 1—(St. P.)—1st Tues. A. J. Burningham, E. H. P. (N. W. 347); E. J. Larkin, Secy. (N. W. 2340.)

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, (Mpls.) S. E. Geo. P. Sjoblom, H. P., 301 Andrus Bldg., M. 2085, T. C. 392; W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Ave. S. E., M. 1957, T. C. 108.

St. John's Chapter 9. (Mpls. 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Willam Tweedie, H. P., H. M. Myers, Sec., 703 Mas. Temple. (T. C. 2657; N. W. M. 703.)

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Ark Chapter 53. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Mon. Mas. Hall, Nic. av. and 31st. J. O. Rosenquist, H. P., L. A. Countryman, Sec., 109 E. 31st. (N. W. M. 332).

Palmyra 55. (St. Paul.) 2nd Tues. Benj. A. Phillips, H. P., Geo. E. Rouse, Sec., St. Anthony Park.

COLUMBIAN CHAPTER 60. (Mpls.) 4th Tues. Mas. Bldg., 304 20th av. N., John Hill, H. P. Geo. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Anchor Chapter 67. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Mas. Hall, 23rd and Central Av. John Suggitt, N. P., J. D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd Ave. N. E.

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Ivanhoe Chap. 135, O. E. S. (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
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TUESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Minnehaha 165, 1535 E. Lake.
Palmyra Chap. 55 (St. Paul.)
Zion Commandery No. 2, Mas. Tem., 5 floor.
Installation of Officers.
Harmony Chapter No. 8, O. E. S. (Mpls)
Carmel Chap. 127, O. E. S. (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
Minnesota No. 224, Mpls.
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St. Vincent de Paul Chapter Rose Croix.
St. Paul Chap. Rose Croix No. 1, St. Paul.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Hennepin No. 4, Mas. Tem.
Osman Temple, N. M. S., (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
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Work in F. C. degree.
Mpls. Mounted Com. No. 23, Nic. and 31st.
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THURSDAY EVENING.
SPECIAL.
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St. Vincent De Paul Rose Croix No. 2.
Mistletoe Court No. 1, O of A (Mpls.).
SPECIAL.
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FRIDAY EVENING.
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Summit 163 (St. P.),
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ORDER OF KNIGHTS OF MALTA.

To give even a short historical sketch of th Order of the Knights of Malta would be to write the history of the crusades. We shall be contented therefore, to give the merest outline of its origin and describe the Order of the present day.

From a body of monks, confined at first to the narrow bounds of an hospital, who later extended their zeal and powers so far as to take up arms against the infidels, uniting in one the virtues of two distinct professions, so seemingly opposite in their nature, grew the "Knights of St. John, of Jerusalem", Hospitalers of St. John ," "Knights of St. John D'-Acre," "Knights of Rhodes" and "Knights of Malta."

The first organization was effected in the year 1048; its purpose to assist sick and needy pilgrims whom a spirit of piety had led to the Holy Land. The original habit was black with a white cross on the left breast. They were organized as a military order about the twelfth century, adding to their original vows the obligation of defending the church against infidels.

After long, brilliant and bloody contests with Turk and Saracen, they were driven from Palestine in 1191. Proceeding to Cyprus they attacked and conquered that island, from which they were driven after an occupancy of eighteen years.

They next establishea themselves at the island of Rhodes and assumed the title of Knights of Rhodes. Here their Grand Master, the celebrated Villars, died at the age of seventy years; his tomb bears the following epitaph: "Here lies Virtue victorious over Fortune,,. After an occupancy of more than two hundred years, they were driven from Rhodes by the Turkish Sultan, Soliman the Second; the evacuation taking place on the first day of January, 1523, upon which they retired successively to Castro, Messina and Rome, until the Emperor Charles V.. in 1530, bestowed upon them the island of Malta; the only condition being their defendiug it from the Turks, and of restoring it to Naples, should they ever succeed in recovering their late home, Rhodes. At the time of leaving Rhodes they had been reduced to about five thousand, including men, women and children.

They now assumed the name of Knights of Malta, by which they have ever since been designated. The island was occupied by them on the 26th. day of October, 1530. From the date of occupancy the Knights were continually at war with the Turks until 1724, when a peace treaty was concluded for twenty years.

On the 9th. of June, 1798, the island of Malta was taken by the French; in the same year the Knights chose Paul 1, Emperor of Russia, as their Grand Master, and were taken under his protection.

In 1800, the island having been taken by the English, the Order was transferred to Catanea in Sicily, and in 1826, by the authority of the Pope, it was removed to Ferrara. The last pnblic reception of the Order took place at Sonneburg in 1800, at which time Leopold, King of Belgium, with several others, were created Knights. In 1841, Ferdinand 1, Emperor of Austria, restored the Order in Italy, and endowed it with a moderate revenue; but its wealth, power and magnificence have passed away with the age of chivalry which gave it birth.



MALTESE CROSS EMBLEM OF THE ORDER.

ANCIENT GOVERNMENT.

The Grand Master was the presiding officer, but the supreme authority was vested in the general chapter, which treated of all affairs, ecclesiasti-

cal, civil and military. Anciently assemblies were held regularly every five years; if the exigence of affairs demanded it they were called every three years; but in time they came to meet every ten years.

These assemblies were held in the head convent of the Order, wherever it was then located. On the day appointed for the opening of the chapter, the Grand Master entered the hall and took his place under a canopy, upon a throne raised three steps, and the members, who were dignitaries from the several Countries, to the number of fifty-four, placed themselves on the two sides; there being the Bishop, the Prior of the church, the great commander, the marshal, the hospitaler, the admiral, the conservator, the grand bailiff, the chancellor, the treasurer, and twenty-two bailiffs and twenty-two grand priors.

They were divided into Countries or Languages, viz: Provence, Auvergne, France, Italy, Arragon, Castile, Germany and England. After the Order was dispossessed of its priories and properties in England, that Language was merged into Anglo-Bavaria. Each Language had certain rights, privileges and offices assigned to it, thus: to Italy, the Admiral; to Arragon, the Conservator; to England, the Turcopolier; to Germany, the Bailiff; to Provence, the Commander; to Auvergne, the Marshal; to France, the Hospitaler, and to Castile, the Chancellor. Councils composed of resident dignitaries were held more frequently.

(to be continued next week)

THE EASTERN STAR.

MINNEAPOLIS CHAPTER NO 9

and many friends enjoyed a program last Monday evening of more than usual merit and interest.

The Sappho Quartette rendered a group of songs of rare sweetness, their voices blending in perfect harmony. They responded repeatedly to encores. Bro. Max Robb made a stirring address on "Fraternity." Misses Elberg and Miller at the piano, were received with applause and responded to a recall. Pearlie Boomhower sang and recited in her own quaint childish manner.

Mr. Dillion contributed generously a group of graphophone numbers.

Sister Guffin and son Roy closed the program with an enjoyable piano duet.

The next regular meeting of the Chapter will occur April 23, when there will be work.—Sister Emily Dysinger, 1037 3rd St. North, will be hostess for the next thimble bee, Wednesday afternoon, April 18th.

A six o'clock chicken-pie dinner with all its toothsome accessories will be served in the Masonic Library, Monday evening, April 30, followed by a social hour and a program well worth listening to, with Bro. Joseph H. Johnson in charge of the program.—Correspondent.

The Ladies of Plymouth Chapter No. 19, O. E. S., will hold an Easter sale at Masonic Hall, 304, 20th. Ave. North, Wednesday, April 18, afternoon and evening. Supper will be served at 6:30. Tickets 25 cts.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, will give a dancing and card party, Monday, 16th.; dancing in the Hall, sixth floor and cards in the armory, 7th. floor. Admission 25 cents. There will be room for all and a pleasant time is assured.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, has a card party bulletined, to be given in the Library, Thursday, 19th.

ZUHRAH'S LADIES.

At the regular meeting of Zuhrah's Ladies, held April 6, a large number were present and eleven candidates initiated.

Dinner was served at 6:30, in honor of the husbands of members. The committee consisted of Mrs. W. M. Walker, Mrs. H. S. Ray, Mrs. Benjamin Boneau, Mrs. Edith Roper, Mrs. J. A. Falconer, Mrs. J. C. Lewis and Mrs. W. S. Campbell.

A delightful musical and literary program occupied the evening. Those taking part were Miss Clara Warnes of Anoka, Mr. Trafford Jayne, Minnesota Quartette, Mrs. Clara La Valley and Miss Zimmerman.

Mrs. Chauncey E. Foster, the President, was Toastmistress, and the Toasts and responses are as follows:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

In behalf of Zuhrah's Ladies, I bid you all a hearty welcome. It is our intention to ask some of our friends to respond to a few toasts, and we request your time and atention for a short time.

Now there are within this city
Certain ladies whom you know,
And they always act demurely
Every place they chance to go.

Thus they try to counterbalance
In their grave and sober way
The facetious little foibles
That their brothers oft display.

So, because of these endeavors,
Which have brought them much renown,
I propose—"The Zuhrah's Ladies",
And I call on Mrs. Brown.

Mrs. J. L. Brown responded as follows:

Organizations of the nature of Zuhrah's Ladies are very moderu. Not far back in the past, woman not only took no part in such things but she looked so coldly and suspiciously upon all secret societies that even the best intentioned and most virtuous Mason lingered until a late hour at his lodge with the loyal yet apprehensive feeling expressed in the toast:

"Here's to woman present, and past,
And to those who come hereafter;
But if one come hereafter us,
There'll be no cause for laughter."

By the way, did it ever occur to you to sympathize with poor king Solomon, the founder of Masonry?

If one wife cuts so much ice when a man returns late from lodge, think of Solomon strolling home to the palace in the wee sma' hours and having to face ninety and nine and then some.

Strange as it may seem, when we know how readily men fall all over themselves to do as the women of their households desire, this opposition had no blighting effect upon Masonry which grew and flourished and even blossomed forth into chapter, council, consistory and what not.

The Commandery with its glitter of silver and steel, its flourish of trumpets and waving of snow white plumes, suggestive of chivalry and the days when knighthood was in flower appealed to woman's heart and she forgot her jealousy of his Masonry when she saw how handsome her husband looked in the gallant regalia of a Knight Templar.

Then came a herald from the far East, even across the scorching sands of the desert, bringing tidings of yet another brotherhood, the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

That settled it! If her lord and master was to worship at yet another altar, my lady would have a little sanctuary of her own. So Zuhrah's Ladies Society came into existence, and while we lack that which brings a smile to the faces of our husbands when the Shrine is mentioned yet we feel that we have our part in the world's work, and a woman's kind of a good time.

I understand that Noble — kissed his wife with unusual tenderness when he was leaving home after lunch today. If there is that in a formal session of the Shrine which causes a new member to be thus apprehensive when he knows his wife is about to enter Zuhrah's Ladies Society, perhaps the Nobles were considerate in leaving us out.

I know of but one case where a lady has manifested any curiosity about the Shrine. This was Mrs. W. M. Walker who aided and encouraged by her husband did penetrate a little way into the mysteries; but they put her forward so fast that realizing the stern realities of the situation she retired from the field in fairly good order. If you don't know the story ask her about it.

Gentlemen! tonight you are guests of Zuhrah's Ladies. "You have eaten our bread and our meat, you have drank of our Indian Medical Water, and Mrs. Walker's coffee, which are good for you though perhaps less inspiring than camels milk. We are glad to have you with us for we believe it is not good for either man or woman to be alone all the time.

Occasionally when Zuhrah Temple has a ceremonial session, so called, I understand because of the dignity and solemnity of the proceedings, some of us get together and have a little session of our own. We call it hilarious, but really and truly gentlemen, the

swiftest thing about it is the trolly car which takes us home to you. We speak boastfully of our latch keys but we secretly hope that you will be there before us so that we wont have to go into the dark house all alone. There might be a burglar in the hall—or a mouse!

We have heard, but know but little,
(If we knew more 'twould be fine)
Of a somewhat ancient Order
Of a very Mystic Shrine.

Every member of this Order
Always looks as fine as silk—
'Tis not Mellin's Food that does it,
But instead it's camel's milk.

I presume they drink this bev'rage
So that when their heads grow bare
They can cultivate quite quickly
Little tufts of camel's hair.

We are told that oft they travel
Over hot sands that they meet,
And I wonder if they havn't
Some asbestos on their feet.

To enlighten us a little
On the things of which they boast,
Mr. Ovenshire'll address us—
"Zuhrah's Temple" is the toast.

Mr. C. E. Ovenshire gave a short historical sketch of the Order of the Mystic Shrine, referring to Zuhrah Temple as the best in the United States if not in the world, noting especially, that in their good cheer they cut out all that might inebriate. He paid a beautiful tribute to woman and to the Shrine of the home.

Having present quite a number
Who with us have cast their fates,
Mrs. Falconer will show us
How to toast "Our Candidates."

To which Mrs. Falconer responded:

I think you will all agree with me, when I refer to this occasion as one of the bright events in ordinary life that release us from business cares and affords an opportunity to mingle with our friends and revive our social natures, and as I look around tonight and see so many friendly faces, there comes bubbling up the desire that these reunions might be more frequent. Life is too short to all be spent in toil; among its duties goodfellowship is one; let us not make the worst of our golden opportunities but occasionally rub off the rust in harmless festivity. There is an old Scotch saying, "Before you accept your friend eat a peck of salt with him", but without expecting this gastronamic feat we welcome into our hearts and into our Mystic Circle our candidates. May we always part with regret and meet again with pleasure and remember our Mystic letters T. N. G. F. M. T. B. A. and our motto: Together now, gaily, freely, make the boys ante.

Our invitation is not attended by such murmuring, rumbling and roaring noises as our Brother Shriners indulge in at their ceremonials and has made some of us fear for their very lives, their motto I think is, "While we live let's live in clover, for when we're dead we're dead all over".

The most completely lost of all days is the one on which we have not laughed and I will tell you a secret; one and only one of our Zuhrah's Ladies has received a degree in Zuhrah Temple; it was not given at a regular ceremonial, but at a special and I wish she might have been asked to respond to "her impression on that occasion" tonight. I witnessed that feat and I would say to the new Sisters, do not penetrate into the mysteries of Zuhrah Temple, they are too strenuous for us.

I therefore admonish you to be content to be merely the wife of one of these hale fellows well met and let us discover what is true and practice what is good.

For our guests we've naught but welcome—
Ours to do when they command—
So they needn't be alarmed when
Mr. Voegeli extends his hand.

Mr. Voegeli expressed great satisfaction that he had the pleasure of being a guest of Zuhrah Ladies. He thought the beautiful feast the ladies had provided was happily timed to make the Shriners goodnatured and in a mood to "gaily, freely ante" for the new bonnets and other things needed to make a truly joyous Easter.

For a moment let's consider
What this Order really claims;
Mrs. Merriam will tell us
Of "Our Objects and Our Aims."

To which Mrs. Merriam responded:

Madam President,

While I appreciate the honor of being called upon to respond to this important toast, I feel that to do justice to the subject would require an abler tongue than mine.

Our object as prescribed for us by the written law is, "to become better acquainted with each other, our aim to help such poor and unfotunate persons as come to our knowledge, especially the Masonic poor."

A few words, easily written, but clearly understood and taken into the heart will furnish a noble work for a life time.

This order is composed of women who are bound together by the ties of a fraternity, yet they may be widely separated in their daily lives.

To bring these members together, to get better acquainted, to become nearer and dearer to each other is one of our objects, and there is nothing that will accomplish this purpose so easily as the work prescribed in the lines of our motto.

Love, charity,—is the shrine around which all can gather with one purpose, which appeals to the heart of every member of this order, bringing them into closer fellowship and cementing more closely the tie that binds us together in one common interest.

"The poor, ye have always with you", the sick and the sorrowing; and just in proportion to the good we do will be our reward, for has He not said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, ye have done it unto me". And what a field of work is open to us. We are not restricted in dispensing our aid, but the Masonic poor are commended especially to our notice.

We are taught that in Masonry all true Masons walk through life's brief pilgrimage hand in hand, each regarding a brother's welfare as his own.

Though we are no part of Masonry we teach the same holy principles; we labor in the same great harvest field with them; and while their's is a work brilliant in its results though quiet and Christlike in execution, ours is none the less acceptable to the Great Master of the vineyard.

This order is the outgrowth of the increasing conviction, that woman's active sympathy and co-operation are essential to the success of every moral and social undertaking. If this be true then our responsibility is great. Zurah Ladies should be all and more than the founders of our order had hoped, should be a band of noble women whose name should be the synonym for all that is good, whose work should shine forth in their lives and whose deeds should live after them to bless those their acts of kindness have comforted and raised to a higher understanding of the purposes of this order, teaching the true spirit of fraternity.

Incense Lodge No. 2, Vermillion, S. D., is revising its by-laws and preparing a Lodge history which will be printed. The Observer hopes to be favored with a copy. This Lodge has a good home valued at $10,000, on which there is an indebtedness of only $300. The convention which formed the Grand Lodge of Dakota was held at Vermillion, and a history of this Lodge should contain some very interesting facts.

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Grand Master Morris was a visitor to Northern, 236, on the 9th.

Alpha, 230, Hendrum, entertained Grand Master Morris, on the 3d.

North Dakota has 33 thirty-third degree Masons, ten of whom reside out of the state.

Ascension Day, frequently observed by the Knights Templars, falls on May 24.

The one hundred and twenty-fifth annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New York will be held Tuesday, May 1.

JOHN PAUL JONES.

"If we are to draw a lesson from his life and character it shall be the duty each one owes to himself and his country whether native or adopted; in his humblest days he was using the faculties God had given him for improvement and development not knowing when or how they would be of service to himself, his country or to humanity, and when the time came he had them ready and used them. As a young sea-captain in a foreign port, while other captains were carousing and idling at taverns, Jones was seeking the acquaintance of the best people in the port, learning of the state of trade and markets, and thus becoming familiar with important mercantile affairs, while adding to his list of valued acquaintances. He exemplified the virtue that "dependence constitutes one of the strongest bonds of society" and so became such an emblem of industry that his life can recommend "the practice of that virtue to all created beings;" his arm and pen and voice were ever for the right; and having done all he could for his adopted country and the cause of humanity in other countries, died, awaiting the arrival of authority from Minister Pinckney to take active measures with a fleet looking to the release, by force, of the Christian slaves in Algiers.

He exemplified to the highest degree the principles of our Order, of which he was an honored member, and on us as on his own country he has shed imperishable renown."—C. T. Gallagher, in the N. E. Craftsman.

MAUNDAY THURSDAY NOTES.

Past Grand Master, Denney (1884-5), attended the Maunday Thursday services at Minneapolis.

Senior Grand Warden Roberts and Junior Grand Warden Swan, members of Minneapolis Consistory, attended the Maunday Thursday services of Rose Croix Chapter No. 2.

Samuel E. Adams, Lieutenant Grand Commander, was the guest of honor at Minneapolis last Thursday, and received an ovation as he rose to address the Chapter.

Two hundred and thirty-four sat down to the obligatory feast of the A. & A. S. R. at Minneapolis last Thursday.

Wise Master Moreau was warmly congratulated at the great success and large and representative attendance at the services of Maunday Thursday.

Rossiter's Orchestra, under the able direction of its leader, rendered a fine selection of music during the banquet and was frequently and loudly applauded. The orchestra was engaged and the musical selection arranged by Bro. Joe Frank of the Metropolitan Music Store, who is entitled to the thanks of his brethren for the rich treat given them.

Honorary's present at the feast were Schlener, Pineo, Cooley, Webb, Forster, Myers, Knowlton, Dodge, Dickinson, Daggett, Roberts, Fehlhaber and Whited.

Addresses were made by Brothers Sam. E. Adams, W. P. Roberts, G. L. Morrill and Wallace G. Nye. We shall favor our readers with some of them next week.

The tables were beautifully decorated with flowers and plants, and the Menu and service under direction of Bro. Henry Maas, the well known caterer, was the very best.

The Lutheran Young People's Society of Glenwood, Minn., having "taken up the cudgel" against secret societies, the Herald of that town published a very spirited article in its issue of March 28, from which we quote:

"The regular Krupp gun of the evening was Rev. O. T. Lee of Northwood, Iowa, who these many years has been waging a relentless war on secret orders of every description. He claimed he had with him the authentic ritual of the Masonic, Woodmen and one or two other orders. Perhaps he had. It seems a little singular however that a man of the apparent intelligence of Mr. Lee that he does not himself become a member of one or more of these societies. He would then be in a better position to carry on this warfare and would be able to talk authoritatively on the subject and not be obliged to rely upon the documents to be found at second-hand book stores and the like. Perhaps if he did join he would no longer be suffering from the seeming hallucination under which he appears to be laboring and with which he has been afflicted these many ytars.

Inasmuch as there are none of the secret orders which have anything to say or is doing the least little thing in opposition to any church or creed, it seems quite strange that Lutherans find it expedient to maintain or continue a warfare against them.

It is a trifle strange to recall the antics of Lutheran clergymen in bygone years. The writer well remembers the time when a minister of this denomination made a special trip to our home and tried to prevail upon our mother to discontinue sending to the public school her boys and girls, claiming that nothing good or christian was taught in such schools, in fact that the English language is more or less an abomination in the eyes of the Lord, etc. It appears that they have now outlived this idea and find it expedient to even conduct services in their own churches in the language of our adopted country.

During the Civil War and the overthrow of slavery every Scandinavian Lutheran clergyman, with the exception of one Rev. Clauson of St. Ansgar, Iowa, believed and argued that the Negro was intended by our creator to be the serf of the white man. They no longer harbor this idea and are now willing to endorse what the immortal Lincoln acomplished in behalf of the colored race. Still they persist in occupying the rear seat in the band wagon of human progress and modern civilization, by waging warfare against the secret or protective orders, institutions that are doing good to humanity in every section of the earth. Innumerable almost are the widows and children who have shared in the beneficence of and workings of secret

orders, and until the end of time the grateful prayers of the widowed and fatherless will go up in behalf of these organizations in spite of what a handful of Lutheran clergymen may have to say.

The statement by Rev. O. T. Lee in his diatribe against secret societies, to the effect that no man could be a good American citizen and be a member of such societies, casts rather a gloomy reflection upon the memory of such American citizens as George Washington, the martyred Garfield and our greatly adored President Roosevelt. These men are or were considered pretty good American citizens notwithstanding their allaince with secret orders."

It is a curious fact, but never the less true that the average man pays but little attention to the quality of his fire insurance, either as to the financial standing of the company in which he may insure, or as to its methods in loss adjustments. The insurers of large properties are becoming careful in respect to the character of the agent and companies and are fast treating the matter of fire insurance protection as of so much importance that expert agents are selected to prepare their contracts and select the companies.

They are becoming as careful in this respect, as in their selection of a lawyer to whom they refer their legal matters.

To the average man his fire insurance often stands between him and utter ruin, when his property is destroyed by fire, and yet so heedless is he of this most important fact that he places his insurance with an agent without proper discrimination; one who has no professional standing but is simply known by the property owner as being a "good fellow". Many thousands of dollars is lost every year through the failure of irresponsible companies and yet the lesson is not heeded by but few men. If one tenth the care were given by property owners in attention to the proper placing of their fire insurance that is given to ordinary business matters, a great deal of anxiety and occasional ruin would be avoided, when their property goes up in smoke. By placing insurance with Otto E. Greeley, 208 The Phoenix, the insured gets reliable insurance and prompt and equitable adjustment in case of loss.

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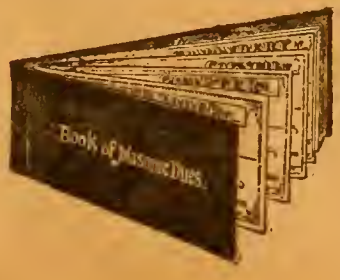
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TUESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
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Work in F. C. degree.
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SPECIAL.
Minnehaha 165, 1535 E. Lake.
Work in F. C. degree.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Albert Pike 237 (Hopkins).
De Molai Council, Knights Kadosh (St. P.)
SPECIAL.
Hennepin Lodge, No. 4. (Minneapolis)
Work in M. M. degree.

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STATED.
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MAUNDAY THURSDAY.

Address by S. E. Adams 33°.
Lieut. Grand Commander.

Before responding to the toast "The Supreme Council" I am impelled, as an act of duty to interject a word or two explanatory of the words Maunday Thursday and the obligatory feast, in which our rituals are somewhat deficient.

Antiquarians seem to have differed as to the etymology of the word **Maundy.**

Some claim the word **maund** meant a hand-basket in which gifts were stored.

In old dictionaries **maund** is explained as a small present on solemn occasions. It may be by metonomy the **contents** took the name of the basket itself.

Others claim, however, and this seems to be the most approved etymology, that Maundy-Thursday is a corruption of Mandate Thursday. Dies Mandati, or the day when our Saviour gave to his Apostles the commandment to commemorate his last supper after the celebration of the Passover. In token of his humility and affection towards them he washed their feet, and then gave the new Commandment, "Mandatum novem do vobis", etc. Love one another. John XIII. 34.

Old writers gave the name Maundy to the Sacrament of the Last Supper itself.

Kings formerly washed the feet of as many poor men, and as many poor women, as the monarch had reached years of age, and then distributed woolen and linen cloth, shoes, stockings, bread, beef, salt salmon, herrings, wooden cups of ale and wine and pennies.

The command for Maundy Thursday included humillation, purification, almsgiving to the poor, and the administration of bread with wine.

The Mystic Banquet is the Mosaic feast of the Passover, celebrating the sacrifice of the Paschal lamb, when all Egypt's first born were slain, that God's people might escape from bondage.

It is also typical of the occasion of the offering of the Lamb of the New Testament, appropriate in its symbolic force.

In the history of the Aucient Mysteries of Judea and Egypt bread and wine were presented as a symbol of the new life upon which those partaking entered, and they were thenceforth devoted to the laws of truth and the knowledge of their rights and duties.

The Hebrews acquired the custom from the Egyptians, and celebrated their feasts of the spring full moon with bread and wine, and this ceremony was handed down through the great Teacher of Nazareth.

With brethren of the Rose Croix it is a manifestation of fraternal love, and a binding solemnization of their sacred vows, as inculcated by Charity and Masonic Philosophy.

The word paschal is derived from the Hebrew **pasach,** and the Greek —, to suffer, to bear, to endure. The application to the lamb is obvious.

The Hebrews were commanded to partake of roast lamb, not boiled or raw, not more than a year old with a salad of bitter herbs and unleavened bread. This feast is a peculiarly solemn one, and is held by the brethren of the 18th degree throughout the world.

This feast does not contemplate the introduction of levity, boistrous manifestation, voluble loquacity, or irrepressible witticisms.

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THE SUPREME COUNCIL.

I will not stop to remark that we have a House of the Temple of our own at the Nation's Capital, a voluminous and valuable library, a museum of rare collections, offices, halls, committee rooms and all the necessary appliances to operate the affairs of the Rite unequalled anywhere in the world, and that the humblest Scottish Mason of our jurisdiction owns just as much of these free and unencumbered properties as the Venerable Grand Commander himself.

I need not narrate to you that our jurisdiction extends over the whole republic except North of the Ohio river, East of the Mississippi river and the states of Pennsylvania and Delaware.

I need not tell you that our Rituals, Morals and Dogma and other literary productions of our Supreme Council are utilized and regarded as the foundation of Scottish Free-Masonry over the civilized globe.

I shall not be presumptuous enough to conjecture that the personnel of our Supreme Council will compare favorably with any similar body of men any where. However, I will say the ultimate purpose of our Supreme council, and of Scottish Free-Masonry the world over, is to propagate aud firmly plant the doctrine of Human Emancipation, Human Progress and Human Liberty.

When I say Human Liberty I mean that it shall be bridled with Justice and Equity.

Our Illustrious Grand Commander paid you a visit last spring, witnessed and praised your good work, and bid you God speed in your laudable efforts.

God bless him. God bless the Supreme Council. God bless the Rite. God bless us all.

The great California disaster was the topic of conversation in all the bodies last week. Masons have always been prompt to bestow substantial relief during all calamities and are now only waiting the calls of authority.

OUR MASONIC DUTY.

(Robert Turney.)

F. to F., that we should go
When sickness brings a brother woe,
To cheer him on his bed of pain,
And nurse him back to health again.

K. to K., when e'er we pray,
At early morn, or close of day,
A brother's name should claim a share
In every thought and every prayer.

B. to B., thee still to keep
A brother's secrets hidden deep,
To all the world but us unknown,
And hold them sacred as our own.

H. to B., with firmest grasp,
Encircling arms and friendly clasp.
We should be found at duty's call,
To stay a brother's tottering fall.

M. to E., when e'er we find
To err a brother is inclined,
We'll counsel give in gentlest tone
And breathe it to his ear alone.

Then F. to F. and K. to K.,
True brothers we should ever be;
With H. to B. and B. to B.,
Each striving still to do his best,
We'll whisper words of hope and cheer,
With C. to C. and M. to E.

"THE GRAND LODGE OF MINNESOTA."

Maunday Thursday Address by William P. Roberts, Senior Grand Warden.

Wise Master and Brethren:

For this very courteous recognition of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Masons of Minnesota, in its behalf, I thank you. And I congratulate the brethren assembled here in such goodly numbers in commemoration of and to celebrate this most impressive feast of the ages.

It is only a little more than fifty years since, upon this frontier settlement of our country, all there was of Masonry known to the inhabitants, was contained in three crude struggling lodges drawn together by the universal human demand for association to meet whatever dangers may come, and for that social intercourse which the average man everywhere, away down in his heart, feels he cannot get along without. The three lodges formed the Grand Lodge, on February 24, 1853, turned in the warrants, from foreign jurisdictions, under which they had been working, and accepted charters from the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. Since that day, the three lodges have grown to 247 and the less than one hundred Masons then, are now more than 21,000. These Masons have been and are the most representative citizens,—loyal, intelligent and progressive,—of our splendid commonwealth. Masons seek no applause. There is never flaming display or blare of trumpets in their work.

Without pretense or osentation, Masons live their lives and go about their duties as quiet peaceful citizens, content to attend to their own affairs, while taking a patriotic part in the affairs of the communities in which they live.

The Grand Lodge, as is its right and duty, endeavors to preserve harmony among the brethren and to guide them always along the paths blazed by the Landmarks, anciently established, which are just as applicable to the affairs of today as they were in the olden days.

And so, my brethren, it has come about that Masonry has been proven here as it has elsewhere, an honorable and creditable institution. That it is so in this jurisdiction, the Grand Lodge is glad to believe, Scottish Masonry has had large and important part and influence. Since 1890, when our Grand Lodge first formally recognized and permitted the A. A. S. R. to build its superb superstructure of moral and Masonic excellence upon the broad foundations of the Blue degrees, and forbade all pretenders of Scottish Rite to do so, all has been harmony among the Masons of this Grand jurisdiction, where formerly there was much bad blood and constant strife. Now, the Masonic lessons taught at our Blue Lodge altars, have been made more effective by the enlarging and amplifying lessons of Scottish Masonry, whose beautiful and impressive ceremonies have developed the leaven of manly character implanted in the Apprentice, Craftsman and Master Mason.

Scottish Masonry ever inculcates Masonic faithfulness along all Masonic lines. It permits no loungers or listless idlers in its ranks, if frequent admonitions can prevent such dereliction and forgetfulness. Its constant injunction to its votaries, is not to neglect, but always to diligently perform every duty, whether of good citizenship to the state or community, or to the Blue lodge in which first the solid ground work of true manly and Masonic character is so strongly impressed.

The Grand Lodge is, and may well feel gratified that the recognition it gave the Rite sixteen years ago has therefore never been abused, but on the contrary has been abundantly justified, and is proud of the work and genuine worth; the steady progress and healthful growth of Scottish Masonry in the Valley of Minneapolis. May these Bodies long continue with their goodly and helpful work and influence!

THE EASTERN STAR.

Marshal Stars gave a social on the 9th.

Mankato Stars gave a musical April 11.

Stewartville Stars celebrated their 10th. anniversary Mar. 28.

The "Wimodaughsis" is the name of a Masonic club of women at Madison, Wis.

Osakis Stars were hosts to Alexandria members April 3; considerable work was done.

Leah is the name of a new Chapter at Latah, Washington; its membership numbers twenty.

A district convention was held at Litchfield on the 9th.; Grand Matron Thomas was present.

Badger No. 113, Delavan, Wis., gave an Easter party on the 17th. Dance, concert and supper.

Breckenridge Stars announce sufficient work to keep them busy during most of the summer.

The Stars of Neilsville, Wis., gave a "swell affair" in the way of a "very select ball," last Friday night.

Lakefield Stars announce that the Grand Patron informs them that they can continue work through April.

Stars of Walnut Grove gave a farewel party to Mr. and Mrs. Gregory who go to Birchwood, Wis. to reside.

Grand Matron Farr of South Dakota is a very busy official; she gives instruction and lectures wherever she visits.

The Stars at Perham attended Easter services at the M. E. church by invitation of Rev. Wood, the pastor.

A new Chapter with twenty members has been instituted at Garfield, Washington; there are 25 candidates in sight.

The Burlingtonians went to Union Grove, Wis., on the 6th. and assisted in conferring the degrees on nine from Bristol.

Mizpah Chapter No. 6, Grafton, N. D. celebrated its 13th. anniversary March 28; a history of the Chapter in verse by past patron Chandler was a feature.

Miss Brand of Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. lost a fine Star and Crescent emblem at the party on the 16th. the finder may leave it with the Observer.

Marshfield, Wis., stars entertained Neilsville Chapter on the 10th, after-

noon and evening. Marshfield will be entertained by Stevens Point on the 14th. of May.

Mrs. R. J. Morrison, W. M. of Palestine No. 112, O. E. S., is slowly recovering from illness; she will be pleased to see her friends who may call afternoons.

E. P. Wanzer, G. P., instituted a new Chapter at Bonesteel, S. D., April 12th. This is in what is known as the Rosebud country, formerly an Indian reservation.

The degree team of Crookston, Minn., Chapter visited and conferred the degrees at Grand Forks, N. D., recently. The Grand Forks Times says, "the drill team was the best ever seen in this city.

Thirteen members of the Minot Chapter and thirteen from Drayton, attended the thirteenth anniversary services of Mizpah Chapter at Grafton, N. D., and reached home alive and well.

The Stars of Hutchinson gave a musical program after work April 9.; a musical feature was violin, organ and accordeon by a father and two sons; dancing and vocal music made up the entertainment.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 enjoyed an unusually pleasant thimble bee last Wednesday at the home of Sister Emily W. Dysinger, 1037 3rd St. North. Later in the evening a large delegation of the members attended the six o'clock dinner at Plymouth Chapter and report the hospitality of the Plymouth Chapter people as most cordial. The next thimble bee for No. 9 will be at the home of Sister Susie Armstrong, 1330 Penn Ave. North, Wednesday May 2nd; take Plymouth Ave. car. Brother and Sister Flint, 3130 Lyndale Ave. So., will entertain the next card party Wednesday eve. April 25th, to which all friends are invited. Do not forget the chicken pie, six o'clock dinner in the Library, second floor Masonic Temple, Monday eve. April 30th, and the good things in the line of literary and musical treats to follow the dinner. All friends will be made welcome and given free access to the specialties.

— Correspondent.

Constellation Chapter No. 18, St. Paul, celebrated its 21st. anniversary, at the Masonic Temple, Wednesday evening, April 4. The Grand Officers were guests of honor at a banquet served at six o'clock. The arrangements of the banquet and the decorations were in charge of Mrs. Jennie Campbell, A. M.

A musical program was given by Mrs. Florence Clayton, Miss Jessie Williams, Miss Messersmith, A. P. Swanstrom, E. J. Jones and Miss Florence Swanstrom. Mrs J. C. McCall gave an original reading; addresses were made by Grand Matron Thomas, A. G. M., Mrs. Yould, A. G. P., Kirk. Grand Secretary Taylor, G. S., P. C. Williams, G. Mar. Mrs. Brown, P. G. M's, Flora A. Pattee and Adelaide Bissell, P. G. Treas. Milham and A. G. P., Freeman of South Dakota.

Regrets were received from Mrs. A. M. Flournay, the first Matron, Mr. and Mrs. John Hodge of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ferrier of Colorado and from several residing in Chicago, San Francisco, Washington, D. C., Anaconda and Helena, Mont., and Plainview, Minn. The only charter member belonging to the Chapter, present, was Mrs. Martha Gordon, the Secretary. About three hundred, including visitors from the Twin Cities, were present.

The Eastern Star memorial service will be rendered by the Chapter for its deceased members, Sunday afternoon, 29. at Masonic Temple.—Cor.

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The Masonic Voice-Review for April lifted a column article, "A Noted Masonic Family," from The Observer without credit.

Michigan announces the death of Past Grand Master John W. Finch, born June 6, 1826, at Arcadia, N. Y., died April 4, 1906. He was Grand High Priest in 1873 and Grand Master in 1878.

The re-interment of the body of John Paul Jones will take place at Annapolis, Maryland, Tuesday, April 24. It is expected that the ceremonies will be under Masonic auspices.

By the courtesy of The Pennsylvania Academy of The Fine Arts, Philadelphia, the Masonic Library received a fine platinum print of the Houdon Bust of John Paul Jones, made especially for the Library.

"Dear Bro. Allen: It takes money to pay for paper, ink, composition, press work and the devil. Here's a dollar for the devil"; such is the language of a letter received by the Observer last week. All such are welcome.

The Grand Lodge of Mississippi announces the death of Past Grand Master Irvin Miller. Born November 11, 1836, died March 20, 1906. Served in the Civil war. A preacher of the M. E. Church since 1865. Grand Master in 1893. "The work he did for the Church, for Masonry and the community renders his memory worthy of perpetuation."

The Observer is sending out a large number of subscription bills; the response has been gratifying. If you have not remitted please do so at once.

The Masonic Tidings, Milwaukee, began a review of Wisconsin Masonry in its April number, as a celebration of its 21st anniversary; it contains a large number of portraits of men prominent in Wisconsin Masonry, together with their Masonic history; it will be continued. Those were grand men. The editor of the Observer was present at the reunion of 1876 in Milwaukee, as a member of Chippewa Commandery No. 8, K. T., and recalls an incident which occurred as the line was halted during its march. On the walk beside the rank in which the writer stood two men were standing and after glancing over the ranks one said to his companion, "Jack, I've been looking over these fellows and there's not a shyster among them." That is the writer's estimation of the Wisconsin Masons of that day.

The Republican and Herald of Winona, Minn., writing of the erection of the Masonic Temple, says:

"The erection of the Masonic Temple in this city has greater significance and value to the community than naturally appears from the brief and formal announcement that such a building is to be constructed.

Masonry has existed from time immemorial, and the greatest and best men in all ages have promoted and encouraged it. It is founded on broad moral and benevolent principles and numbers among its members men of every sect and opinion. In its work of fraternal advancement, embracing the consideration of the highest and best interests of mankind, a profound morality and a magnificent charity, it assumes a foremost rank and is a powerful agency for good."

KNIGHTS TEMPLARS.

Zion Commandery No. 2, was host to Darius No. 7 and Mounted No. 23, Easter Sunday; services were held at the Plymouth Congregational church; the day was bright and the attendance large.

Temple Commandery of Knights Templars, newly organized at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, went to Spokane in a body on Easter Sunday over the Coeur d'Alene Electric railroad, and attended the special services in the Spokane theater. The delegation returned to Coeur d,Alene at 4:30 o'clock, accompanied by Cataract commandery, 100 strong in uniform, and special services were held in the Coeur d'Alene opera house. Rev. T. A. Daughter delivered an address. Later they were given a banquet at the Hotel Idaho.

Duluth No. 18, attended services at the First Methodist church; services were conducted by E. C. Clemans, D. D., bishop of that district.

Apollo, Albert Lea, recently entertained the Masonic Lodge of that city; there was a musical program, cards and feasting.

Duluth Commandery conferred the orders on a large class from Ely, Tower, Hibbing and Mesaba, April 7; it being one of the largest affairs ever held in Duluth.

The Grand Commandery, Minnesota, will hold its forty-first annual conclave at St. Paul, Wednesday, April 25.

Wadena Templars attended services at the M. E. church.

Wisconsin No. 1, Wilwaukee, attended services at the Summerfield M. E. church; grand recorder W. W. Perry delivered an address on the "Resurrection."

H. S. Fletcher, well known in Minneapolis, was elected E. C. of the Commandery at Watertown, S. D., recently.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE.

Demolai Council, Knights Kadosh, St. Paul, conferred the twenty-first degree, Friday, last; the thirtieth will be conferred Monday night, 23d.; visitors will be welcome.

The reunion at Minneapolis was very successful, there being a larg class in all degrees, seventeen receiving the thirty-second.

Winona Chapter Rose Croix held very elaborate services Maunday Thursday, H. J. Willis, W. M. presiding. The following toasts were given and responded to: "The Constellations," by Rev. J. J. Hillmer; "Our Country," by W. J. Smith; "Our members of 1905," by Thomas Fraser; "The Ladies," by Geo. T. Simpson.

The Maunday Thursday services of A. T. C. Pierson Chapter, Rose Croix, Duluth, surpassed any thing of the kind ever held by that body. Dinner began at six and closed at eleven.

Wise Master Hugo delivered the welcoming address. A telegram of felicitations was received from grand commander Richardson. "The Grand Lodge" was responded to by Grand Master Morris. Robert E. Denfeld spoke on "Civil Government." The Observer was not favored with a program.

Wisconsin Consistory was in session at Milwaukee, 16th. to 20th.

Mithra Lodge of Perfection, Devils Lake, N. D., held a very successful reunion, closing on the 12th.

The Aberdeen, S. D., Bodies had a successful reunion the week before Easter. The Observer was not favored with a program.

A committee of Scottish Rite Masons from Omaha recently visited Kansas City, Mo., to get pointers in designs for their new temple.

Cascade Chapter of the Rose Croix No. 7, Spokane, Wash., celebrated Maunday Thursday at the mystic banquet in the Masonic hall. The ceremony of extinguishing the lights was performed, and F. E. Michaels was toastmaster. Rev. W. J. Hindley replied to the toast "The United States and Its President;" Rev. E. C. Downey, to "The Supreme Council," and Henry Brooke, "To Our Departed Brothers."

Za-ga-zig Temple Mystic Shrine of Des Moines, will hold a ceremonial session at Sioux City, Ia., April 25.

The Observer recently mentioned that W. B. Saunders of Milbank, S. D., was at an hospital in Minneapolis. Brother Saunders died there April 5, and his funeral was conducted on the 9th. by the Lodge at Milbank, Bishop Johnson of the Episcopal church conducting the religious services. In such high esteem was Bro. Saunders held that every business house in the town as well as the schools, were closed during the ceremonies.

The Lodge at Merrill, Wis., celebrated "Past Master's night" April 15th; there was a large delegation from Tomahawk and other places; after "work" a banquet, toasts, etc. entertained the members until a late hour.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

M. E. Wood went to Chicago last Wednesday for a few days.

Minnesota 224, Passed one last Tuesday and Entered three Saturday night.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will confer the Master Mason degree Friday night, 27th.

C. T. Ozman was out from Chicago to attend the Maunday Thursday and Shrine meetings.

Brothers of No. 224, take notice. Be on hand Tuesday, 24th., as this is our Social Evening.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., will confer the Mark degree Thursday night, 26th.

A. W. Counsell, Commercial Hotel, found a K. T. Charm in S. E. Minneapolis, loser call after 6:30 p. m.

Mrs. Vrooman-Wood and party left Naples prior to the eruption of Vesusius; she is expected to sail for home May 1st. arriving about the 10th.

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Bro. J. H. Hingeley addressed the Masons of Eveleth, Minn., on the 11th, on "The Rarities and Oddities of Masonry;" this lecture should be heard in every Lodge in the state,

Cataract No. 2, conferred the first degree on three last Thursday night; this lodge will confer the Master Mason degree on five, Saturday night, 28th; refreshments will be served.

A. B. Rugg, of Minnesota Lodge No. 224, has an article entitled "Three or Thirty-three," in the April number of "The Mighty Atom," Rochester, N. Y. It treats of the trinity of God and Masonic numbers.

Minneapolis Shriners will leave for the meeting of the Imperial Council at Los Angeles, Sunday night, 29th. Fare is $59.90 for round trip; double berths in sleeper $13.50 for each person. If you are going consult John S. Dodge at Empire Mill.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, extends a cordial invitation to its members and their gentlemen friends, to be present at an entertainment to be given at the lodge room, second floor Masonic Temple, Tuesday night, 24th. Music, songs, speeches, refreshments and a good time generally. Dont miss it. Entertainment committee: A. B. Rugg, H. S. Ray and Henry Altschwager.

The Observer is going to put a solicitor in the field for the purpose of aiding both. We believe the Observer has demonstrated its value to the membership. So far we have been unobtrusive; it is now time that we should learn what estimation you place on our value to you as individuals.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, conferred the Master Mason degree on five last Wednesday night; there was a large attendance; P. M. Ralph Webb gave the lecture with the aid of the stereopticon, in his usual able manner; the Minnesota Quartet rendering the musical numbers. A banquet was served after the work and a very pleasant social time had.

Two Brothers entered upon their labors as Fellow Crafts at Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, last Tuesday evening.

Brother A. J. Palmes, a veteran Mason and at one time secretary of Minnehaha Lodge, is quite seriously ill at his home. Brother Charles H. Lee, also one of the pillars of this Lodge, is at his home incapacitated for service through illness. It will do these brethren good to see their friends and brethren.

Bro. J. H. Heisser of Ark Lodge No. 176, received the Eastern Star degrees from Robert Morris in New York City, December 7, 1868, at a meeting at which Morris communicated the degrees to a large number, both men and women. Bro. Heisser has the autograph of Morris which he obtained at that time. Bro. Heisser is also the possessor of a small piece of the flag which floated over Sumter at the time of its surrender; this was presented to him on the 8th. of December, 1868, by Peter Hart, historically mentioned as the person who nailed it to the mast after it had been shot away.

Ark Lodge No. 176, entertained one hundred members and visitors last Thursday. There were six candidates for the Master Mason degree. Work began in the afternoon, five being raised before calling off, the other receiving the degree in full form in the evening. The work was in charge of the regular officers and was well executed. The Minnesota Quartette rendered the musical program in its usual good form; its extra numbers being loudly applauded. The lecture of the first section was given in an acceptable manner by the Wardens, Junior Warden Germond's answers being perfect. The remaining lecture was given in narrative form by P. M. Harry Moore, aided by the stereopticon and quartette, and was pleasing and impressive.

In addition to the Worshipful Master, the East was graced by Past Grand Master H. M. Tusler, Sen. Grand Warden, W. P. Roberts, Past Masters, Frank Messer, G. L. Fort and Harry Moor of 176, J. G. Houghton of No. 4, also an Honorary Member of 176, Atkinson of No. 160, E. J. Hodges of No. 19, Horace C. Parlin of Sublime No. 306, Stacyville, Iowa, now a member of No. 19, and W. C. Allen, P. G. M. of South Dakota, Honorary member of No. 19. Short addresses were made by several of the brethren.

Two pleasing episodes occurred; one being the presentation of an elaborate Past Master's jewel to Harry Moore, by P. G. M. Tusler on behalf of the Lodge, for seven years' faithful service in the several chairs; the other being a like presentation, which came as a complete surprise, to Past Master Messer, to replace a similar jewel which had been stolen. That the Lodge would present a second jewel shows that Bro. Messer must stand high in favor with his brethren. The absent members were not forgotten.

Easter Monday evening Palestine No. 112, O. E. S., gave its most brilliant and successful dance and card party. The dance com. was Mr. Samuel Goulstone, Mr. Wanous, Dr. Foote, Mr. F. Fankhouser and Mr. Kiddle. The card com. Mrs. Dr. Monahan, Mrs. Wm. Walker, and Mrs. Mary Taylor.

The Armory on the 7th floor was chosen for the card room, this was brilliantly lighted, and the electric lights were decorated with the Star colors. The tables had snowy white coverings. The score cards were hand painted Calla and Easter lillies. The favors were hand painted china, Sterling Silver Palestine Souvenier spoon and a handsome stein. The favors were won by Mrs. Bell Wheeler, Mrs. Deming, Mr. Newbert and Mr. Neiman. On the 6th floor there was a large company who "Tipped the light fantastic toe, to fine music till the midnight hour. "All went merry as the marriage bell," all had a very enjoyable evening and pronounced it the finest party Palestine had ever given. We hope to give another in the near future.—Contributed.

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ORDER OF KNIGHTS OF MALTA.

(Continued from April 16)

As we said at the beginning that to give a history of this Order would be to write the history of the Crusaders, so we now say that to attempt to give the history of the Knight Templarism of today would involve us in profitless controversy. Therefore we shall be content with describing the Order of Knights of Malta as conferred in the United States; which is done in full form only on rare occasions. It has been said that from the archives in the Temple at Paris, and the preservation of the rituals and banners in Portugal, the descent of the original Institution can be proven. We shall confine ourselves to that which is.

This degree was introduced into the Templar Orders of this country at an early period. In the Constitution of 1805 the Knights of Malta precedes the Knight Templar but as there was no fee taxed for this degree it was clearly intended to take a subordinate place. In 1856 the General Grand Encampment struck it from the constitution, but in 1862 it was restored and since remained an appendant Order. That legitimate descent and rightful possession is claimed by another body, we shall notice later.

Dr. Mackey, in his Encyclopedia says this Order has no ritual. Since the publication of his book in 1874 a ritual has been prepared by authority A special committee to prepare a ritual having been appointed, submitted a report at Cleveland In 1879, and at Chicago in 1880, at the former meeting the report was referred back to the committee with instructions to report to the next annual Conclave at Chicago, with orders to print and distribute the rituals; this not having been done the report was again referred. Final repart was made at the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment at San Francisco, California, Aug, 22, 1883, and the report adopted. This committee was composed of R. F. Bower, E. T. Carson, J. H. Drummond, W. B. Isaacs and J. Q. A. Fellows, among the ablest Templars of that period. Two Ceremonies were prepared a short one and a longer one; the latter being the one used on the occasion of the "Festival"



ARTHUR L. JONES,

A prominent member of Ark Lodge No. 176, who has been appointed chairman of Sons of Veterans' committee to assist the Commercial Club and Grand Army in taking care of the coming National G. A. R. Encampment.

held in the Masonic Temple at Minneapolis, Minnesota, March 23, 1906.

THE MARCH FESTIVAL.

Early in the winter of 1905-6, Sir Knight Lucius F. Foote, Eminent Commander of Zion Commandery No. 2, desiring to round out a very successful year in a befitting manner invited the Commanders of Darius No. 7 and Minneapolis Mounted No. 23, to a conference at which he proposed that the three Commanderies unite in Conferring the Order of Knight of Malta in full Ceremonial form and under the direction of R. E. Sir Knight Joseph B. Hingeley. After due consideration, the matter was laid before the several Commanderies and resulted in the decision of the two former bodies to adopt the plans outlined by their Commanders; the latter deciding not to participate actively. The plans having been perfected, invitations were issued to all Commanderies in the Jurisdiction to participate in the work. It was arranged that the two Commanderies should be inspected at the same time by the officials already appointed by the Grand Commander.

THE INSPECTION.

of Zion and darius Commanderies took place during the afternoon of Friday March 23, on the eighth floor of the Masonic Temple, and was made by R. E. Sir Knights William E. Richardson and George W. Buck, Past Grand Commanders, and was witnessed by the Grand Commandery and more than seven hundred Knights in uniforms.

MEDITERRANEAN PASS AND KNIGHTS OF MALTA.

The ceremonial of The Mediteranean Pass having been concluded in the "Guard Room," the Priory was opened in full ceremonial form in the "Chapel," and the work of receiving the several candidates was conducted according to the ritual.

Roster of Officers.

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Treasurer of Provence—Em. Sir Knight Charles W. Drew.

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OTHER OFFICIALS.

Trumpeter—Sir Knight Emmett P. Browning.

Knights of the Galley—Sir Knights, E. P. Browning, W. B. Heath, F. H. Forbes and W. S. Marshall.

Organist—Sir Knight S. C. Gilbert.

Eminent Officers and Past Officers.

The occasion was graced with a large number of notables: E. P. Sanborn, Grand Commander, C. L. West, D. G. C., W. H. Laird, G. Gen., C. E. Ovenshire, G. C. G., John Fishel, G. S. W., W. G. Masterman, G. J. W., H. N. Green, G. Prel., C. W. Drew, G. Tr., E. M. Van Cleve, G. Rec., James Smith, G. St. B., J. C. Burehard, G. Sw. B., J. T. Black, G. W., A. M. Shuey, Thos. Montgomery, M. E. Powell, H. E. Whitney, W. E. Richardson, T. H. Warren, J. W. Chamberlin, Geo. W. Buck, Past Grand Commanders, Minn., F. H. Sprague and Geo. H. Phelps, P. G. C., North Dakota., D. M. Baldwin and I. M. Slade, P. G. C. G., Minn., S. J. Hill, G. St. B., Andrew Eckem, G. Sw. B., W. Spriggs, G. J. W., No. Dakota, and the following Past Commanders: Geo. F. Dix, F. W. Zellman and A. T. Bigelow, No. 1, E. C. Conn, W. A. Elliott, Washington Gray, H. M. Myers, W. H. Lyon, C. C. Curtiss, H. F. Fankhauser and C. L. Sawyer, No. 2., E. C. Bonniwell, No. 7, E. Wood, No. 13, H. N. Bell, O. L. Dornberg and Geo. McKay, No. 15, H. M. Ely, J. M. Norton, C. M. Wilsen and A. Le Richeaux, No. 18, Thomas Morris, Grand Master, No. 20, J. G. Houghton and T. F. Quinby, No. 23. There were in all about eleven hundred Sir Knights in attendance.

Redwood Falls Commandery No. 15, was accompanied by twenty ladies; the ladies were entertained by ladies of Zion and Darius Commanderies at the Orpheum, and later at luncheon in Zuhrah's Ladies Parlors.



JOHN FRIEND
Past Comander, Darius No. 7.
Lieutenant Commander, Malta Festival.

The Candidates.

The Novice or Knight of the Temple, was Myron Wert Hingeley, son of the Eminent Prior, the others being L. J. Barrette, J. F. Bernhagen, N. G. Bergster, T. M. Chant, R. M. Chapman, Geo. E. Crist, A. E. Clarendon, J. L. Dickinson, C. L. Featherstone, U. G. Herrick, Geo. V. B. Hill, E. B. Johnson, F. T. Kirschstein, R. R. Langrell, E. S. Leman, C. H. Miller, R. L. Robinson, Geo. J. Rosar, B. E. Tunstead, E. Tunstead, H. Walk, R. A. Watts, W. C. Weld, H. P. Wood, C. A. White, W. B. Cronk, J. S. Clapper, C. L. Warren, W. H. Minish, N. H. Emerson, of No. 2, W. J. Jewett of No. 4, B. J. De Groodt of No. 5, J. A. Carley, W. J. Lowrie, Roy Underwood, C. S. Nygren, A. Robertson, A. J. Myers, E. H. Bagley of No. 6, J. Armstrong, W. T. Clark, A. Davidson, H. K. Richardson, J. B. McCluskey, A. H. Thompson, F. R. Wilson, C. H. Mathews, H. J. Prigge, P. G. Sjoblom, J. L. Webb, N. A. Matson, E. R. Hart, E. B. Dodd, No. 7, A. J. Bossard, Claud Clefton No. 9, C. J. Ransom, G. W. Johnson, No. 12, Thos. McFarlane, No. 13, H. M. Ball, G. M. Browne, G. W. Ellison, F. A. Japs, D. McCorquodale, No. 15, and C. W. Moore, No. 21, each of whom were made a "Knight Hospitaler of St. John of Jerusalem, Palestine, Rhodes and Malta."

There are two banners of the Order; "Banner of St. John" and "Banner of Malta."

The Jewel or Cross is a white enamelled Maltese Cross, set in gold, and resting upon its center the arms of the country; with us the United States Coat of Arms.

The several committees and all others participating in the work are entitled to great credit for the perfection attained in the work.

The Observer was unable to be present at all of the ceremonies and has experienced considerable difficulty in obtaining information which would make this article more complete. We wish to extend thanks to Sir Knights Foote and Ovenshire for courtesis.

The Imperial Parent Grand Encampment of the Universe and Grand Black Lodge of Scotland of the Most Ancient Exalted Illustrious and Military Order of "Knight Hospitallers of Saint John—of Jerusalem—" otherwise known as "Knights of Malta", is the literal title of "the oldest Knightly organization in the world"; claiming unbroken descent from Peter Gerard, the founder, at Jerusalem in 1048. The supreme Grand Commandery of America of this Order was chartered by the Imperial Black Encampment of the Universe, with headquarters in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1889, to which body it pays an annual tax and receives an annual passwerd. This order confers twelve degrees founded upon the Bible; its creed is the creed of Christianity," an evangelical Christian fraternity". It claims to have been introduced into Scotland by King David 1, in 1142; became wholly Protestant in 1572; introduced into Canada in 1841; Grand Priory of the Continent of America, 1884; Willie E. Higgins, Worcester, Mass., Supreme Commander, 1904. It has a "Declaration of Principles". It

is Beneficial, paying both sick and funeral benefits. To be qualified for membership one must be a white male, over 18 years of age, a believer in the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, etc. This order had several subordinate bodies in Minnesota some years since, which surrendered their charters; there has been some efforts made to revive it recently but with small success.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The regular meeting of Zuhrah's Ladies will be held Friday afternoon May 4th.

Palestine Social will meet with Mrs. B. C. Boneau, 1018 Hawthorn Ave. Thursday afternoon, May 3.

Stars will be plentiful in St. Paul, May 9; the twenty-eighth annual meeting of Grand Chapter will be held there and then.

Lorraine Social Club will meet with Mrs. William Willing, 1232 Mary Place. Tuesday May 1; Sisters are requested to take some silk pieces.

A pleasant opportunity for members of the Eastern Star to meet Mrs. Madeline B. Conkling, the Most Worthy Grand Matron, will be afforded Monday May 7, when Palestine Chapter gives a reception in her honor, from half past two to five in the afternoon. Mrs. J. L. Brown is chairman of the committee in charge. All members of the Order are invited and it is hoped to make the occasion one of pleasant informal sociability.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 O. E. S. will have its proposed six o'clock chicken pie dinner Monday evening in the Library. Judging from the way the tickets are going the tables will be taxed to their utmost. From 5:30 till 8:30 an informal reception will be tendered all members and friends. Obrechts orchestra will furnish music and there will be numerous other attractions during the program for the evening. Sister Susie Armstrong 1330. Penn Ave. North, will entertain the thimble bee next Wednesday afternoon.

Correspondent.

Ben. D. Grant was recently presented with a Past Master's jewel by his brethren of Fraternal No. 92, Princeton, "in token of their appreciation of his efficient services."

NECROLOGIC.

Walter W. Sell, of Winona Lodge No. 13, was buried by his brethren April 19.

John F. Sigloh of Osakis, a member of Lodge and Chapter at St. Cloud, died April 19.

S. E. Upham, a pioneer resident of Duluth, died April 22; he was a Mason of the thirty-second degree.

E. H. McLeod, editor of the Wood Lake News, formerly of the LeSueur News, Hutchinson Independent and Stewart Tribune, a man of ability and a Mason, is dead.

Dr. J. P. Waste, a resident of Plainview since 1865, a charter member of the Southern Minnesota Medical association, died April 17; he was buried by the Masonic Lodge.

The north side Masonic Temple at LaCrosse, Wis., has recently been greatly improved and new paraphernalia purchased, which makes it one of the best equipped in the state.

James A. Holt, who recently died at Frankfort, Ky., left a large sum to Clark Lodge No. 440, Jeffersonville, Ind. with directions to build a home for orphans at the end of ten years.

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Correspondence is solicited, upon topics of general interest to Freemasons. Items of news from the secretaries of lodges everywhere in Minnesota are particularly desired; these should be sent in promptly—reports immediately after meetings, and announcements as soon as made. All communications should be accompanied by name and P. O. address of sender, but this will not be published unless desired.

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Garden City, S. D., is starting a new lodge.

Scottish Rite Bodies of Fargo, N. D., will hold a reunion June 4—6.

Annandale Masons visited No. 28 at Clearwater recently by invitation.

Wisconsin admitted fifty-four candidates at the late Consistory meeting.

An official cipher of the work has been printed by the Grand Lodge of Kansas.

A Council of Royal and Select Masters has been organized at Sauk Center, Minn.

Grand Junior Warden Swan was a speaker at the Glencoe Masonic meeting April 14.

Minnesota is behind in some things; our Lodges held no services for Franklin or Jones.

The laying of the foundation of a new Masonic Temple at Fond du lac, Wis., was begun April 16.

W. C. White of Duluth was one of the speakers at the Consistory banquet at Milwaukee on the 19th.

Grand Master Fitch of New Mexico issued an order to all Lodges within that jurisdiction to hold special communications Tuesday, April 24, for the purpose of honoring the memory of Brother John Paul Jones.

The Festival of Saint John the Baptist, June 24; what are Masons of Minnesota going to do about it?

Grand High Priest Bloom, of Minnesota has appropriated one hundred dollars to the California relief fund.

Madison, South Dakota, Templars have asked for a dispensation to organize a Commandery. Madison has a lot of good "timber".

Railway rates have been fixed at a fare and one third for the General Grand Council and Chapter, to be held at Boston, June 18 and 19.

Washington Chapter, R. A. M., Stillwater, held an interesting meeting on the 19th; about fifty were present from St. Paul by invitation.

Dr. G. E. Countryman, one of the Minnesota family, was recently elected Senior Warden of Damascus Commandery No. 10, Aberdeen, S. D.

We are informed that Grand Master Morris has appointed a committee on Grand Lodge Home, composed of A. G. Pinkham, G. S. Ives, W. P. Roberts, Archibald Guthrie, T. W. Hugo, W. A. McGonagle, W. H. Laird, A. D. Countryman, John W. Andrews, F. W. Carlton, R. A. Wilkinson and Mary C. Taylor.

Bro. J. B. Hingeley, the well known Methodist minister, who at the 1905 Conference was elected Corresponding Sec'y of the Superannuate Fund, to create a fund of at least $50,000, has begun the publication of the "Minnesota Veteran," to be issued ten times a year. The subscription price is only twenty-five cents a year. It should be in every Methodist family.

Wisconsin papers are exploiting the fact that George Jones of Manitowoc, Wis., aged 22 years, has recently "attained the 32nd degree in Masonry", at Little Rock, Ark. It appears that Mr. Jones received the first three degrees at one meeting at the first named town, less than one year ago. No doubt the young man is worthy but in our conservative opinion he is advancing too rapidly.

Wisconsin acts promptly. At a meeting of Wisconsin Consistory, April 19, following instructions of that body, the following telegram was sent: "Commander in chief, California Consistory, A. A. S. R., San Francisco, Cal.: Wisconsin Consistory in session tenders sympathy in this time of dire disaster and asks you to draw upon us for $5,000. "Wilmot F. Miller, Commander in Chief."

The Observer was favored last Monday with calls from Grand Secretary Montgomery, Senior Grand Warden Roberts, who were accompanied by Right Worshipful Brother Arthur J. Scott, Deputy Grand Master of New South Wales. Bro. Scott arrived via San Francisco, which place he left just before the earthquake; he is en route to Scotland and we gathered that his mission is one of intercession for the G. L. of Queensland.

The executive committee having charge of the meeting of the Imperial Shrine at Los Angeles, Cal., have advised a postponement for two weeks. John S. Dodge Potentate of Zuhrah Temple has wired the Imperial Potentate and the Imperial Recorder advising that a business meeting be held at some central point and that the general meeting be postponed until 1907, to be held at Los Angeles should the citizens of that place want it.

Documentary Evidence In Kansas.

No lodge within this jurisdiction shall admit a visitor who shall be unable conclusively to establish by documentary evidence or personal voucher that he hails from some regular lodge in this jurisdiction or within the jurisdiction of a regular Grand Lodge, recognized by and in correspondence with the M. W. Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Kansas. Documentary evidence shall be a diploma, receipt for dues under seal of the lodge, Grand Secretary's certificate, written endorsements by a Grand Master, or certificate of dimission—all of which shall designate a lodge or Grand Lodge known to be regular and within the provisions of this regulation. Vouchers shall be personal, and made only in lodge by some member thereof, or by a Master Mason who has established his right to sit in such lodge. In all cases it shall be the duty of the Master of the lodge to ascertain that the lodge from which the visitor claims to hail is a regular lodge within the provisions of this regulation.

ANNUAL CONCLAVE.

The Minnesota Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, held its annual conclave at Masonic Temple, St. Paul, Wednesday last. There were present at the conclave 12 grand officers, 14 past grand officers, 37 past commanders not otherwise enrolled, and 74 representatives of local commanderies from all over the state. Twenty-six of the 29 commanderies of the state were represented.

The feature of the annual election of officers was the contest for the office of grand recorder, held during the past two years by Edward M. Van Cleve of Minneapolis. Thomas Montgomery of St. Paul was elected to the office over Mr. Van Cleve. Mr. Montgomery held the office for 15 years preceding the election of Mr. Van Cleve.

The officers were elected at the afternoon session, as follows:

Right eminent grand commander, Chas L. West, Austin.

Very eminent deputy grand commander, William Hayes Laird, Winona.

Grand generalissimo, Charles E. Ovenshire, Minneapolis.

Grand captain general, John Fishel, St. Paul.

Grand senior warden, Wellington C. Masterman, Stillwater.

Grand junior warden, James R. Smith, Faribault.

Grand prelate, Rev. Joseph B. Hingeley, Minneapolis.

Grand treasurer, Charles W. Drew, Minneapolis.

Grand recorder, Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul.

Grand standardbearer, James C. Burchard, Marshall.

Grand swordbearer, John T. Black, Duluth.

Grand warder, George F. Dix, St. Paul.

Grand Commander Sanborn and other officers presented annual reports dealing with the business of the year. The present membership of the grand commandery is 2,435 in 29 local commanderies, a net gain of 176 for the year. The receipts for the year were over $3,000. The expenses were about $2,700. The balance in the treasury is $6,431.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Frazier W. Hurlburt, 33, Chicago, Ill., was a caller Friday.

Minneapolis has three Sir Knights in the roster of Grand Commandery officers.

A special session of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine, was held last Friday afternoon for work.

Masonic Library Benefit Concert, Tuesday night, May 1, Commandery Hall, admission 25c.

Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., conferred the R. A. degree last Thursday, afternoon and evening.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will confer the Fellow Craft degree at its stated communication, Tuesday night, May 1.

Lest you forget, the Observer desires to remind those receiving delinquent notices that the time to remit is NOW.

St. Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., will confer the Mark Master on a large class, Thursday night, May 3; refreshments will be served.

Charles Rogers, Fred Warner and the Misses J. Carlton and Frances Wood of Minneapolis, sang at a Masonic banquet at Glencoe, on the 14th.

R. L. Dockery, watch repairer, makes a specialty of repairing fine and complicated watches. All work warranted to please or no charge. 127 Seventh street south.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 will confer the Master Mason degree Tuesday night, May 1. Light refreshments will be served and a pleasant time is expected. Brethren cordially invited.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, conferred the Master Mason degree last Friday, afternoon and evening, and Cataract Conferred the F. C. degree Saturday night, serving refreshments after the work.

Delinquent notices have been sent to those subscribers whose names were on the lists prior to July, 1905, and whose subscriptions have expired; if you don't want the paper let us know; if you want it continued please remit.

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Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., exalted seven last Thursday; beginning in the afternoon, an intermission was taken at six and dinner was served, after which work was resumed. One of the candidates received the degree by request from Boise Chapter, Boise, Idaho. E. H. Priests Sjerblom of St. Anthony and Tweedie of St. Johns, Past H. Priests Houghton, Richmond, Pearce and Patton, were present. The attendance was large. The work was well done, the lecture by Comp. Houghton, and charge by Comp. Richmond, being especially well rendered.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, had an unusually pleasant assembly Friday night, 20th. In the absence of T. I. M., Tweedie, Deputy Master Countryman conferred the Royal Master, and past T. I. M., Bush, the Select Master degree and communicated the Super Excellent, on two candidates; The attendance of members was large, there being a few visitors also. Grand Master Schurman dropped in and was duly honored. The Minnesota Quartet furnished the music during the work and at lunch. The best "remarks" the Observer has listened to at any Masonic meeting for some time, were heard at the "board". The Council is becoming a very popular body. If you enjoy a real good time attend a meeting of Minneapolis No. 2.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, gave another of its open, social meetings, for members and their gentlemen friends, last Tuesday night, W. M. Foster presiding. The program consisted of Music by the Minnesota Quartet, a "talk" by Trafford Jayne, which consisted of the relation of amusing incidents, an illustrated lecture by Henry R. Adams and an essay, "Source of Life," by A. B. Rugg. On behalf of the Manual training teachers of the Central High School members of the Lodge, Sen. Warden McWhorter presented the Lodge with a set of working tools consisting of a square, twenty-four inch gage and setting maul, made by pupils of said school. After the regular exercises smoking and cards entertained the company till a late hour. Minnesota expects to give another of these metings which will end their social season; members should turn out in goodly numbers to these meetings.

Red Cross of Constantine.

A meeting of this Body was held at Minneapolis, Wednesday night, April 25, for the purpose of receiving several new members. An elaborate banquet was held at the West Hotel. The jurisdiction of this particular body is within Minnesota and Wisconsin. The officers are: W. H. S. Wright, M. P. Sovereign; H. S. Bryan, Viceroy; John A. Schlener, Senior General; Chas. L. Potter, Junior General; Cal. E. Stone, Prelate; J. T. Armstead, Treasurer; Wm. E. Richardson, Recorder; C. E. Ovenshire, Prefect; J. E. Cooley, Standard Bearer; H. E. Whitney, Herald; and H. Van Brunt, Sentinel. Additional members are: J. T. Black, G. W. Buck, J. B. Cotton, T. W. Hugo, T. B. Mills, W. H. Laird, Jesse Norton, F. E. Rice, W. A. McGonagle, J. W. Chamberlin, A. A. Farrington, W. J. Bates, E. B. Hawkins, W. H. Cole, C. W. More, H. C. Hope, D. S. Sperry, H. R. Wells, J. W. Squires, A. Z. Levering, H. M. Myers, L. Paulle, W. A. Elliott, S. E. Adams, Fred. Webber, T. H. Warren, John Panton, Geo. R. Kibbe, G. W. Freeman, G. A. Eaton, F. I. Whitney, W. A. Eaton, H. D. Dickinson, B. G. Segog, J. A. Berkey, M. E. Powell, Jas. Ridler, H. L. Benz, John S. Dodge and Wm. M. Walker. Judge Dickinson delivered an address.

THE LODGE.

Preston No. 36, has done a large amount of work during the winter; April 4th. it had an especially fine meeting with visitors present from many lodges.

Atwater Masons recently presented Dr. Archibald with a watch fob and meerschaum pipe.

Winona Masons have incorporated a building society to erect a new temple; capital stock $60,000.

Masons at Lake City have moved into new quarters, conveniently arranged, with steam heat and electric lights.

Bro. H. T. Goodnough, (a significant name) was presented with a gold headed cane and his wife with an Eastern Star jewel, by Masons and Stars of Granite Falls, recently.

Masons of Austin and Dexter recently visited the Lodge at Brownsdale and assisted in third degree work.

Masons of Ely recently went to Tower by special train and assisted in degree work.

Villard Masons were recently entertained by their wives and families, who served a supper in an adjoining hall after degree work.

The Masons of Racine, Wis., are to have parlors, reading and billiard rooms for the recreation of their members.

Albert Lea Masons went by special train to Owatonna, April 19, and assisted their brethren in conferring the third degree.

Lodge Directory.

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MASONRY . AN INSPIRING SYMBOLISM.

Albert H. Hall, Khurum, No. 112.

I have been seldom privileged, in Masonry, to devote the hours of refreshment to intemperance. I think but three times since I was raised, fifteen years ago, have I sat at a Masonic board.

Masonry has always been to me a serious thing. It appealed to me when first I heard the inspiring symbolism of this order, like the voice of a religion,—natural, human and sane. I never yet have drifted out of that impression. I believe that every serious man, as he progresses and develops, will more and more find in the symbolism of this fraternity something that covers, inspires and satisfies every mood, experience and craving of his life. It is borne in upon me that they who laid the stones of this order, far back in the centuries, wrought in a wise sincerity, and builded better than they knew. In Masonry the searching soul will find the abiding and eternal Truth of life and conduct.

Everything of value we discover in our experiences as men, is at first concealed, and comes to us by degrees. In youth we have conceptions and visions of life and conduct that pass away from us in the early days of manhood—the conceptions of young manhood fade away before the wider, better, saner vision of middle life, and as toward the end man looks forward to the sunset of his life, glorious visions of the hereafter come to him, together with brightened recollections of the beauty in the service he has past,—and an illumination comes over all his life as he nears its end.

Every utterance of abiding truth is but a sign, a symbol of a larger, better, higher truth, beyond the naked word we hear. We grow tired of language as we grow older. The highest and finest things in human thought and communication are the things not uttered in sound, but born in the secret bliss of solitude or the silent communion of soul with soul, far beyond the range of words!

The conception of Deity can never be voiced. The knowledge of God reveals itself in the secret, conscious, illuminating, spiritual presence of the Divinity in the soul. But eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, nor hath it entered into the heart of man to utter the glories of that presence. In the mystery of death has been lost the secret word of the Divine Artificer. His clear-marked design and plan is manifest in all nature that rises about us, the fair temple of His creation. But we cannot decipher the designs upon the trestle board of His future purpose. Each honest workman must abide at his task here, nor seek to enter behind the veil He spreads before us. In His own good time and by the way of eternal life will He raise and pass the worthy to the higher degrees of His new presence.



MADELEINE B. CONKLIN,
Most Worthy Grand Matron.

The noble temple of Civilization is likewise incomplete, and here must all honest souls toil upon the world about them, that never will be complete, that will perish at last. But we toil on in the hope of the better wages in the world beyond.

This civilization of ours is the product of the thought and purpose of Masonry probably more than of any other human influence. The activity and zeal of those who developed and won for mankind individual and civil liberty had its roots in the precepts and teachings of Masonry.

The progress of man through all the strife and strain of the ages to a freer, higher, nobler life of achievement can be read today in the teachings of Masonry that were uplifting and enheartening the secret few who did Masonic working far back in its earliest organized beginning.

I say our temple is unfinished. Beautiful as modern civilization is, it is still unfinished, it will never be completed until every part of our civic and social and moral life is adjusted, squared and leveled, and justice, full and perfect, is achieved for every human soul.

We are admonished that we should carry the temple of manhood in Masonry to a higher level and to more beautiful proportions—that to be a Mason should be a guaranty of the highest individual character—that the bare knowledge that a man is a Mason should stand sponsor to him for all honorable fellowship to all men. Masonry calls upon us always for truth, fidelity, justice, brotherly love—that conduct which is obligatory from Mason to Mason, and in the highest intelligence is due from man to man.

ORIGIN OF THE EASTERN STAR.

Robert Morris, the founder of the order, was born August 31, 1818, in Springfield, Mass. At an early age he moved to La Grange, Ky., where he died July 31, 1888. He was an eminent divine, a teacher as well as a preacher of Freemasonry. He was probably better known throughout the Masonic world than any other individual living at that time. In 1868 the Masons of the United States raised a purse of $20,000 and sent him on a sojourn in Palestine and Syria. His book, "Freemasonry in the Holy Land," ought to be in every library. He was a zealous Mason of high standing and character, and was coronated as "poet laureate" of the Masonic world. He was the originator of a number of the special features among the Masonic lodges, but we revere his name and cherish his memory for his noble endeavor to bring the families of Masons into closer union by giving form to an order through which the charitable and social features might be further promoted by the introduction of the Master Masons' wives, mothers, widows, sisters and daughters to a position of fraternal possibilities. In 1850 he formulated a series of lectures to be given in a social way, divided into five sections or degrees, named after as many historical characters drawn from the Bible, namely, Jephtha's daughter, Ada, Ruth, Esther, Martha and Electa, to represent the five social relations which bind together the members of the Masonic fraternity by the nearest and dearest of ties, and in evidence of which it has truly been said that "woman's heart beats responsive to man's noblest deeds." And within the last fifty years so popular have these degrees become that they have extended their power and influence over the entire Masonic world.

In the United States today we have forty-eight grand jurisdictions, forty-two of which are constituent members of the General Grand Chapter, composed of 4415 chapters, with a total membership of 304,979, over a quarter of a million, controlled and governed by this supreme body by a system of constitutions and by-laws equal to any organization of a similar character upon the face of the globe. A short review of the formation of the General Grand Chapter shows the true index of the order.

Mississippi, the then Masonic home of Robert Morris, at its session of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, held at Tupelo, January 15, 1875, by resolution, issued a circular to all the grand chapters in favor of a general grand body. From this, a call was made for representatives from all the grand chapters of the several states and territories to meet in the Masonic temple in Indianapolis, Ind., November 15, 1876, when representatives from five grand jurisdictions responded, representing a total membership of not over 4,000. At this convention, pursuant to the purposes of the call, a committee of seven was appointed to formulate a uniform ritual and system of lectures for the conferring of the degrees.

In 1878, at its second session, the report of the committee on ritual was adopted, and an edict was issued authorizing its use. In 1883 several valuable amendments were offered, and a committee was appointed to revise the ritual. This committee was continued until 1889, when its report was adopted, which gave us the ceremonial rites as we have them at the present time.

The management of each chapter—subordinate and grand—is entrusted, practically, to the ladies of the order, who have proven themselves highly capable of carrying on the work and maintaining its secrecy and integrity. It seeks to bring the families of Masons closer together in sociability and to direct the charities and ministrations of all to a more effective end, and thereby lighten the burdens of our fellow men. While the order lays no claim to being a part of the Masonic institution, yet it is so closely related to the members of that ancient and honorable order by personal ties that the heart of every loyal Mason should be in touch with the advantages it sustains to the Masonic lodge. We meet for a common purpose which our order propagates—that of higher intellectual attainments and charity to all mankind. And what a grand privilege this is! Look back to the civilization of ancient Rome—how it favored the seclusion of women. The European states which arose out of the fall of the Roman Empire favored the same idea. The laity were submissive to the clergy, vassals to their lords, and wives to their husbands. With the incoming of the Reformation came a new spirit of personal dignity and independence begotten of a wider knowledge and broader culture. Restrictions began to fade away; expansion took their place, and today the American woman's sphere knows no bounds. It is said that Max O'Rell, the celebrated French author and wit, made an assertion that "if he could choose his nation, he would choose to be an American woman." It was a woman who comprehended the majestic scope of the plans of Columbus and the invincible qualities of his genius. From Electa comes the message "Love one another." Love is our highest word. Plato taught it, Michael Angelo painted it, Mozart left it to the world of music, and it was for these reasons that Robert Morris, the "patron saint" of Masonry, placed it as one of the corner stones of the Order of the Eastern Star. Our order gives us plenty of models from which to shape our lives.

It has been said that this order could be called a beautiful bouquet. What a significance our emblems have and what these blossoms stand for with the world at large! Flowers have been called the "stars of the earth—the "alphabet of the angels." Beauty and fragrance are poured over the earth in blossoms of endless varieties, radiant evidence of the benevolence of the Deity. And so we can go on finding relationships that the outer world bears in all ages to our own beautiful emblems. A dainty violet, a touch of yellow, a lily, white and pure, a spray of green finished off with brightest red—and we have a bouquet "that is fairest among thousands." And to this, and behind all this phenomenal growth and development of the Order of the Eastern Star, there must be, and is, an association of persons whose motives must be lofty, ideals near perfection, ambitions meritorious, and morals high. And I answer, without hesitation, it is the widows, wives, daughters and sisters of the members of the Masonic fraternity. They have "seen His star in the east."

May our order continue to prosper. in the language of our illustrious friend and brother, Robert Morris, let us cherish and defend the legacies left us by those whose lives were noble, pure and true, and remember that—

"There's a world where all are equal
(We are hurrying to it fast),
Where we shall meet the loved ones
When the gates of death are past.
We shall meet our Heavenly Patron
And it bids us all prepare

To bear with us some offering
Gleaned from the Eastern Star."

(Note.—The above article, read by Mrs. Anna L. Saunders before Fort Morgan Chapter, O. E. S., Fort Morgan, Col., is taken from the Tyler-Keystone and is published by request. The following sentence is erroneous: "In 1868 the Masons of the United States raised a purse of $20,000 and sent him on a sojourn in Palestine and Syria." The plan to raise money for his expenses was formulated by himself, and he visited 130 lodges in Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Illinois, West Virginia, Nebraska and New York and laid before the fraternity his plan, which was to return to contributors the value of contributions in specimens gathered in Palestine. The number of contributors was 3,782; the aggregate contributions $9,631; his expenses exceeded this sum by more than $1,200 which he made up from lectures on his return. Morris mentions Grand Master Nash of Minnesota as one who "forwarded me good words and material aid."—Editor.

Grand Chapter will conveue in twenty-eight annual session at Saint Paul, Wednesday, May 9. On the evening of Tuesday, 8th., the several Chapters of Saint Paul will give a reception for Madeline B. Conkling, Most Worthy Grand Matron, the officers of the Grand Chapter of Minnesota and distinguished members. After the opening ceremonies Wednesday, an address of welcome will be delivered by P. C. Williams of Constellation Chapter No. 18, response by Wm. H. Kirk, A. G. P., Harmony Chapter No. 8, followed by an address from M. W. Thomas Morris, Grand Master, Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M., Minnesota, after which will come the addresses of the Worthy Grand Matron, Elizabeth Thomas, and Worthy Grand Patron, Wm. M. James. In the afternoon distinguished guests and Grand Representatives will be introduced, the reports of officers read, etc. In the evening there will be exemplification of the degrees by Lorraine Chapter No. 16, followed by an address from M. W. G. M., Conkling. The session will be continued Thursday, the day being occupied with routine business and election and installation of officers.

A pleasant opportunity for members of the Eastern Star to meet Mrs. Madeline B. Conkling, the Most Worthy day May 7, when Palestine Chapter gives a reception in her honor, from half past two to five in the afternoon. Grand Matron, will be afforded Mon- Mrs. J. L. Brown is chairman of the committee in charge. All members of the Order are invited and it is hoped to make the occasion one of pleasant informal sociability.

Wells Stars recently initiated a class of fourteen.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, will hold its thimble bee next Friday, 11th.

Hutchinson Stars presented Mrs. S. E. Adler with a jewel case.

The Stars at Le Sueur are going to have a piano if they have to sew for it.

Grand Secretary Mary C. Taylor spent last Tuesday and Wednesday in Omaha.

Mrs. A. M. Smith of West Island Ave. has returned from a sojourn in California.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Baker were given a farewell banquet by the Stars of Redwood Falls.

Stars of Blue Earth surprised the brethren of the Lodge with a supper and a gift of cutlery.

Marshall Stars have challenged their sisters of the Congregational Church to a spelling contest.

Sparta, Wis. Stars celebrated their fifteenth annual May 4; Tomah Chapter was present by invitation.

The stars of Tacoma, Washington, gave a ball April 25, for the benefit of the San Francisco Chapters.

The young men of the O. E. S. Chapter at Canton, S. D., recently entertained the other members with a luncheon.

Grand Matron Keyes of North Dakota, visited Chapters at Jamestown April 26, Bismarck, 27, and Sheldon May 4.

Keystone Chapter No. 18, Boston, with a membership of nearly four hundred, has largely attended meetings. Gen. Curtis Guild, Governor of the Commonwealth, and Mrs. Guild are members.

Grand Chapter of South Dakota will hold its eighteenth annual at Sioux Falls, June 12, 13, 14, and will have as guests of honor, Mrs. Madeleine B. Conkling, Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Mrs. Angie L. Williamson, Worthy Grand Adah. A cordial invitation is extended to all members.

Grand Forks, N. D., Stars gave a "Pink Bal Poudre" at Masonic Temple, April 25. Shaded lights for the ball room, pink gowns and pink powder and patches for the ladies, pink ties and houttonieres for the gentlemen, pink carnations and pink frappe, and a fine program of dances, made up an irresistable entertainment.

General Grand Chapter officers: Mrs. Madeleine B. Conkling, M. W. G. M., Oklahoma City, Ok.; William F. Kuhn, M. W. G. P., Farmington, Mo.; William H. Norris, R. W. A. G. P., Manchester, Ia.; Mrs. Ella S. Washburn, R. W. A. G. M., Racine, Wis.; Mrs. Lorraine J. Pitkin, R. W. G. Sec., Chicago; Mrs. Harriet A. Ercanbrack, R. W. G. Treas., Anamosa, Ia.

Commonwealth Chapter No. 74, Boston, is in a most flourishing condition. Its meetings are on the fourth Tuesday. At the April meeting, after the work, each member present read a Longfellow verse; the Chapter being particularly entertained by Sister Lottie M. Kingston, who read the "Courtship of Myles Standish," and was loudly applauded. Past Matrons Ida M. Hebbard, Helen M. Waldron and Jennie F. Fenn are among this year's officers. The Worthy Matron is no less a personage than Mrs. Ella S. Ridlon, well known in christian and patriotic work in old Boston.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S., gave a chicken pie supper and entertainment last Monday evening; a very bountiful repast of good things, consisting of chicken pies, baked beans, brown and white bread, pickles, cheese, fruits, cakes and coffee, all home made, was served to more than three hundred between 5:30 and 8 o'clock, in the library. The Chapter room was reserved for the reception of guests and the evening program. Obrecht's orchestra rendered a musical program during supper and afterwards contributed liberally to the evening entertainment, which consisted of musical numbers by the orchestra, a song by Miss Anna Britt, with Mrs. E. V. Marsh as accompanist, which was so generously encored that a second was given; an impromptu but exceedingly interesting talk by Mrs. Cordelia Davey, who gave a description of a recent visit to many southern places of note, among them the Alamo and Shiloh Battlefield; the occasion of her visit to the latter was the unveiling of the Wisconsin monument; and two recitations by Mr. Harold De Cou. The rooms were beautifully decorated with the colors of the Order. The committee having the affairs in charge are to be congratulated at its success.

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Odessa, Washington, Masons have petitioned for a dispensation.

Westbrook has a new Lodge, Onyx No. 266; twenty-one members.

Quarry lodge 148, Pipestone is doing considerable work "in the quarries."

Thomas Amos, Past Grand Master, Washington, died at Creston April 27.

Constantine Commandery No. 20, Crookston, contributed $100.00 to San Francisco.

The membership of the Grand Commandery is 3435 instead of 2435, as printed last week.

Palestine Commandery, 14, Fergus Falls, donated $50.00 to San Francisco sufferers.

Blue Earth Valley 27, Winnebago City, is one of the prosperous lodges doing much work.

Tancred Commandery No. 1, Bismarck, N. D., contributed $25.00 to the San Francisco fund.

Montana Masons, through Grand Lodge, have contributed $1,200 to San Francisco relief fund, to date.

The Tyler-Keystone asks information as to the name of the author and where an authentic copy of the "Soliloquy" beginning "Alas! the horrid deed is done!" can be found. The editor of the Observer first saw it more than thirty years ago and has had a copy ever since, but does not know the author.

The Lodge at Richland Center, Wis., chartered June 12, 1856, will celebrate its half century anniversary.

Eveleth 239 gave a delightful dancing party recently in which most of the range fraternity participated.

Grand Master W. H. Norris, of Iowa, has issued a call to the lodges for contributions to the California fund.

Brookings, S. D., Masons expect to be able to pay the balance of their indebtedness on settlement day, May 11.

Roseau citizens are still going to Hallock for degrees but hope to have a lodge established at the former town soon.

It is announced that the business meeting of the Shrine will be held in Chicago, June 12 and 13; postponed from Los Angeles.

Montevideo Masons recently entertained many visitors at afternoon and evening work; the visiting ladies were entertained by the Stars.

Virginia Lodge No. 264, at Virginia, Minn., is a new one. The officers are: Charles F. Fairbanks, W. M., Adelbert Trotter, S. W., Charles Lemont, J. W.

The oldest lodge in Maine is Portland No. 1, constituted in 1769. Among its charter members was Gen. Jedediah Preble, father of Commodore Edward Preble.

Gen. Charles H. Taylor, 32d. degree, editor of the Boston Daily Globe, is one of the many Masons who are editors and publishers in old New England.

The Macoy Publishing and Masonic Supply Co., of New York, is one of the oldest and most reliable houses in their line. Give them a trial; see their Ad. in this paper.

Lake City Masons held a reception as an opening of their new hall, last Thursday. All members and their families were invited, the ranking officers of the lodge, chapter, commandery and O. E. S., being in charge; a historical and musical program was rendered, followed by refreshments.

Atwater Masons recently surprised Bro. and Mrs. Salter, now residing at Elk River, by the presentation to the former of a Past Master's jewel, to the latter a salad spoon.

Commodore Edward Preble first saw Masonic light in the Lodge of St. Andrew, Boston, at that time he was a Lieutenant in the Continental Navy in the war of the Revolution.

Star in the East No. 33, Owatonna, of which Grand Chaplain Pinkham is W. M., recently entertained more than 100 visiting brethren; this lodge has a reputation for high class work.

The funeral of Dr. T. T. Beveridge, a prominent Mason, at Appleton, Wis., held April 22, is said to have been attended by every Mason in the City, and by the physicians in a body.

The Grand Lodge of Iowa will meet in sixty-third annual communication at Des Moines, June 5; schools of instruction will be held on the 1st, 2nd and 4th, special church services on the 3rd.

William D. Patterson, secretary of Lincoln Lodge No. 3, Wiscasset, Maine, is a very courteous and interesting gentleman, replete with new England genealogy and Masonic history.

It is frequently asked of an officer in Masonic Bodies, Who is he? What is his business? The Observer proposes to answer these questions, and will ask officers to furnish the information.

South Dakota Grand Bodies will meet in annual session at Sioux Falls on the following dates: Masonic Veterans, June 11; Grand Lodge June 12; Grand Chapter, O. E. S., 12th.; Grand Chapter, R. A. M. and Order High Priesthood, 14th.; Grand Commandery, 15th. The dedication of the new Masonic Temple and of the G. L. Library will occur Tuesday evening, 12th.

AFTER FIFTY YEARS.

Freemasonry has higher, broader objects in view than the mere prosperity and success of its own Order. It looks to the well being of the whole brotherhood of man. Its principles are those alone which can lead on to

virtue, wisdom, prosperity and happiness; and one branch of its mission is to scatter those principles broadcast over the earth. It is mistaken belief, too often entertained, that its purpose is fulfilled by administering to the physical necessities and wants of poor distressed brothers, their widows and orphans.

Masonry aims at making men better, higher, nobler beings; it denounces vice, and teaches virtue and purity; and no man is a Freemason in practice, whose example is not worthy of being followed by the philanthropist and the christian. Its true spirit has nothing in it which is selfish.—Moses Sherburne, G. M., Minn., 1856.

To obey the laws, divine, civil and Masonic, is a solemn injunction given to every Mason; and to be careful that prejudice or passion, fancy or affection, error and illusion be not mistaken for conscience, is a Mason's bounden duty. Nothing is more usual than to pretend conscience in all the actions of man which are public and cannot be concealed.—Pierson, G. M., Minn., 1863.

HEROINES OF JERICHO.

There has come into the possession of the Observer an emblem which is supposed to be that worn by the above named order. This order preceded the Eastern Star and the degrees were conferred upon the female relatives of members of the Royal Arch Chapters. About the year 1850 Colonel D. C. McNeill, who had been a surgeon in the Mexican war and later in the Civil war, and the first Surgeon General of the G. A. R., was Grand Lecturer of the Grand Masonic Lodge of Illinois, and during the period of his official duties as Grand Lecturer his wife traveled with him, and together organized Circles of this order; this emblem is one worn by Mrs McNeill and by her transmitted to her daughter, who is now the wife of Brother C. L. Bennett, a Past Master of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19. The emblem is circular in form, having on the obverse side in the center, a square and compass, surrounded by the letters H. H. S. G. S. and E. A. Mc N.; probably standing for Heroines of Jericho, E. A. McNeill, Grand secretary; across the center on the reverse side are the letters A. M. R. Y., beneath which are the figures 1849, the whole surrounded by the letters F. N. D. O. S. B. T. K. C.

We shall be pleased to receive further light on this subject.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Zion Commandery No. 2, has red cross work scheduled for Saturday, 12th.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will confer the Master Mason degree, Tuesday, 8th.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will have work on the first degree Wednesday night, 9th.

Captain Washington Smith, of Minnesota 224, residing in New York, was in the City last week.

Khurum Lodge 112, conferred the E. A. degree last Friday and expects to confer the Fellow Craft degree Friday 11th.

Many Zuhrahs went to St. Paul April 27 to attend a ceremonial session of Ozman Temple; they report a royal time.

For strictly first class Watch Repairs, either in plain or complicated work, take it to R. L. Dockeray, 127 7th St. South.

Arcana No. 187 conferred the Master Mason degree on two April 30; this lodge is not making much noise but is doing good work.

Maynard Minton, Addison Union Lodge No. 118, Addison, N. Y., called on the Observer last Wednesday; this Brother proposes making his home here.

Minnesota No. 224 Passed five after regular business last Tuesday. The fourth degree as worked by members of this lodge and their friends, is very entertaining.

Saint Johns R. A. Chapter, conferred the Mark Master degree on three last Thursday night; there was a large attendance, lunch was served and a general good time had.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, will confer degrees after the regular business session tonight, Monday, and will be pleased to welcome all delegates to Grand Chapter who may be in the City. Light refreshments will be served.

Cataract No. 2, Passed two Saturday night, April 28; there was a large attendance of members and visitors and all had an enjoyable time; one of the Fellow Crafts was a son of Worshipful Master Gowan.

The lecture for the benefit of the Masonic Library, given by G. F. McNeill, on the evening of May 1, was one of the best entertainments ever given in the Temple. Mr. McNeill is an easy, pleasing talker and his subject one of intense interest to nature lovers. In witnessing the views presented and hearing the depicted scenes described, one gains a knowledge of the greatness of America only to be exceeded by an actual visit to the places, and an earnest desire to do so is created which can only be satisfied by taking a trip on land and sea outlined in this lecture. The Masonic and Minnesota Quartettes contributed several selections which were well received and added much to the entertainment. The library was not benefited to any great extent.

Third degree work at Minneapolis No. 19 is always largely attended; the reputation which this lodge has for excellent work is fully sustained by the officers of 1906. The meeting of April 27 was attended by fully 300; work began in the afternoon, was called off for an excellent six o'clock dinner and resumed at 7:30; seven candidates were raised. A. F. Pray, W. M., was in the East, and in the evening, owing to the necessary absence of J. A. Schlener, S. W., Junior Warden Chesher was in the West and G. D. Adams in the South. The principal lecture was given by R. D. Webb, P. M. of Hennepin No. 4, in an impressive manner, while the stereopticon was handled by Past Master Ovenshire, and the Masonic Quartet rendered the musical program. Worshipful Masters McCuskey of Plymouth, 160, Allen of Minnehaha, 165, Sherwood of Plumb Line, 173, Bostwick of Onarga, 305, Illinois, and Miller of Capital, Lansing, Michigan; Past Masters Hilton, Anoka, 30, Fred. Hutchinson of Harwood No. 91, Machias, Me, and J. K. Ferguson of Frontier, 45, La Crosse, Wisconsin, were in the East, and many states represented by visitors.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 was pleased to entertain quite a large number of visiting brothers on Tuesday evening, when the M. M. degree was conferred upon two candidates. Among the visitors was Right Worshipful Bro. Wm. P. Roberts, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. Brother Roberts was introduced into the Lodge by the Lodge marshal, Bro. T. O. Dahl, conducted to the East by the W. M. and given the grand honors. Later Brother Roberts gave an encouraging address to the laborers in Lodge circles, new and old. The Minnehaha Masonic quartette was launched on this occasion. There were, perhaps, to the trained ear, slight inharmonies discernable as it left the wharf, but these will disappear as it gets under way on its destined course. The music added materially to the enjoyment of the evening, and Minnehaha Lodge is to be congratulated in having a promising Masonic quartette of its own. The members of the organization are Bros. A. V. Manchester, leader, W. G. Stranahan, Robert Hughes and H. R. Clarkson. As usual with Minnehaha Lodge refreshments were served after the labors of the evening in the third degree.

PROCEEDINGS RECEIVED.

Grand Lodge: Minnesota, Mississippi, Florida, Louisiana, Kansas, 1906, Nova Scotia, Montana, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, 1905.

Grand Commandery: Mississippi, Louisiana 1906, Illinois, Ohio, 1905.

Grand Chapter: Louisiana, Wisconsin, 1906, Alabama, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, 1905.

Grand Council: Oregon, 1906, Alabama, New Hampshire, 1905.

Proceedings connected with the formation and inauguration of Grand Lodge of Queensland, 1904, special communications July, September and December, 1905, and proceedings of June 1905.

All proceedings and other Masonic literature received by the editor, together with a large collection belonging to his private library, has been placed in the Minneapolis Masonic Library. It is especially desired that secretaries of all grand and subordinate bodies will place this library on their mailing list.

Temple 59 and Hector 158, were guests of Hope 42, April 14th.; the M. M. degree was conferred by Hector.



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ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 6 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., H. M. Myers, Sec., 704 Mas. Tem. (T. C. 2780, N. W. M. 703.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Summit 163., (St. P.) 2nd and 4th Fri. H. P. Fahnestock, W. M., (N. W. M. 2660; T. C. 375). R. B. Ware, Sec., 1002 Pioneer Press Bldg. (N. W. M. 1407-L; T. C. 447.)

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Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Welsenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

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Osman Temple, N. M. S., (St. Paul.)
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WEBB'S MASTER MASON'S ODE.

Ah! when shall we three meet, like them
Who met last at Jerusalem?
Though three there were, yet one is not;
He lies where Cassia marks the spot.

Though poor he was, with kings he trod;
Though great, he himself knelt to God.
Ah! when shall those restore again,
The broken links of friendship's chain?

Behold! where mourning beauty bent,
In silence o'er his monument,
And wildly spread in sorrow there,
The ringlets of her flowing hair.

The future sons of grief shall sigh,
While standing round in mystic tie,
And raise their hands, alas! to heaven,
in anguish that no hope is given.

Then whence I come, or whither go,
Ask me no more, nor seek to know;
Till three shall meet, to form like them,
The Grand Lodge of Jerusalem.

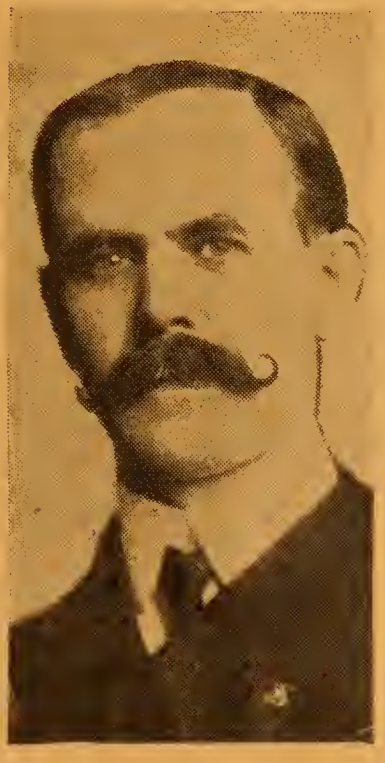
THE CANDIDATE'S SPEECH.

Did you ever notice the consternation which spreads over a class of candidates, when at the close of the work in the third degree they are requested to respond to the call of the Worshipful Master and express their impressions of the work?

Of course, there is occasionally a man who is clear-minded enough and a quick enough thinker to be fully at his ease, but the rapid succession of new ideas inspired by the events of the evening and the strain of attempting to remember the various steps of the proceedings so completely takes the average man off his guard that he is thrown into dire confusion by the Master's unexpected call: "And now I am sure we would all like to hear from the candidates, and I will ask Brother Blank to say a few words."

Brother Blank usually manages to rise and stammer out a disconnected phrase or two expressive of his gratification and his desire to prove a worthy member of the Fraternity, and sits down, considerably flustered.

Every time I witness this proceeding, I am irresistibly reminded of an incident which occurred in a lodge in Connecticut one night several years ago, on an occasion when I happened



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to be a visitor there. It was one of those little, "backwoods" country lodges, where all the members are neighbors, and where the proceedings are usually characterized by a rather free and easy, but thoroughly friendly and genial, good-fellowship. They were working the third degree, and the subject was an eccentric-appearing but evidently popular and respected individual, to whom everyone referred as "Old Sim" Smith.

At the banquet which followed the work, "Old Sim's" high-keyed voice and quaintly humorous sayings kept his immediate neighbors in a frequent uproar. He was evidently enjoying himself hugely in the belief that all his trials vere over. Old Sim had the reputation among his neighbors of being one of the most straight-forward, honorable men of the community; all men were his friends and even in the midst of some ridiculous eccentricity, men laughed with Sim Smith, and not at him.

Toward the end of the evening the Worshipful Master arose, rapped for order, expressed his pleasure at the large attendance, etc., and closed with: "And now I'm sure Brother Smith wants to say a word to us."

Brother Smith was not prepared for this turn of events, and evidently didn't want to say anything, but after some argument with his neighbors at table and urging on their part, he reluctantly arose, to be greeted with a storm of good-natured cheering and hand-clapping.

His appearance was ludicrous in the extreme. Tall, angular and stooped, he wore his long mouse-colored hair parted in the middle and plastered closely down over his temples and ears, but with an imposing "warlock" rising behind; some one had thrust a red rose through the mass of hair over his left ear, and the blossom hung gracefully bobbing close to his smooth-shaven hatchet face; and when he spoke, it was in a feminine falsetto which gave the final touch to a face that was a perfect caricature of the typical "funny paper" old maid.

"You fellows havin' a lot o' fun with me, ain't yuh," he squeaked, when the noise of greeting had died away. "Been doin' just about what yuh darn please with me. I been feelin' like a blind pig bein' led around by the

nose, expectin' any minute t' have a knife stuck in its throat—so scairt I couldn't even squeal. An' here after I thought 'twas all over, an' I been feedin' up and smokin' up and feelin' real comfortable an' human again,—here yuh spring this speech on me. "But yuh goin' to get fooled" he squaked, with a twinkling eye and a grin that started a roar of laughter by its very drollery,—"Yuh goin' to get fooled! I ain't got nothin' t' say," he fairly shrieked,—"an' I ain't agoin' t' say it!" And he sat down.—W. J. Allen.

HENRY D. POWERS.

The press recently announced the death, at Saint Paul, Minn., of Henry D. Powers, and that "he was held in high esteem by his brother conductors, who attended the funeral in large numbers." His death recalls the fatal forest fires of 1894. Conductor Powers was in charge of passenger train No. 20, Eastern Minnesota Railway, which left Duluth at one o'clock p. m., Saturday, September first, 1894, bound ofr St. Paul, the train consisting of an engine and five coaches. Thirty mnes out of Duluth the smoke from the forest fires became so dense that the head light and cab lights were lighted, but the train continued to make regular time as there was no thought of danger; arriving at Hinckley at 3:25 p. m., it was discovered that the outskirts of the town was on fire. Conductor Powers consulted with conductor W. D. Campbell of the way freight crew and made arrangements with him to couple on to the rear, which was done after attaching three empty box cars. The train was held at the station and loaded with people until all who could reach it, 476 in number, were loaded in, the fire then being very close and all around the bridge across the Grindstone river, over which the train must run. Leaving the station only after it was evident that to remain longer meant death to all on board, as well as the destruction of the train, he pulled across the river where another stop was made and about forty more people taken on, the train was run back to Duluth, passing through burning forests and over several small bridges already on fire, stopping to gather up others until nearly seven hundred people were taken aboard and saved.

Of conductor Powers the state commission said "Engineer Best and Conductor Powers of the Eastern Minnesota remained steadfastly at their posts, and made up a train for the rescue of the sufferers, with as much coolness as if they were doing ordinary work, although they knew that every moment's delay diminished the chances of their successful escape."

At the time of his death Henry D. Powers was a member of Tribune Lodge No. 190, Merriam Park, and of the Scottish Rite Bodies, Saint Paul.

Brother Powers was born at Ishpeming, Maine, about forty-eight years ago, where his mother and sister reside; he is survived by his widow, a son and daughter, residing at Saint Paul.

Coming now to the object of Masonry, it may be said that this is the strengthening of the will to do right. Unless Masonry does strengthen our desire to do right it will merely hinder us; for in Masonry, as in everything else, there can be no standing still—we must either go forward or backward. If Masonry does strengthen our will to do right, it will do us priceless good and help us to make that progress which is the sole purpose of our lives.

The definition of the object of Masonry, just adopted, will be found to stand any test that may be applied to it, and will help us to view rightly many of the things connected with Masonry which cause us concern. For instance, when a Mason acts as he should not, instead of feeling, as some of us are apt to do, that his action is a reflection on Masonry, we shall merely feel that he failed to avail himself of the opportunity which Masonry gave him to cultivate his will, or desire, to do right. In this connection, it may be remarked that some of us probably err in relying too much upon the principle of selection which obtains in our Lodges. It would be well for us to remember that the principle of preliminary selection was first adopted by the ancients solely because of the fact that wisdom can never be taught in the full blaze of publicity. The mere admission into a Masonic Lodge is not sufficient to effect an alteration in character. The formation of character is a slow process, in which Masonry assists, but which it does not claim to accomplish by means of initiations alone. Masonry is a life to be lived. Our initiations are but a weak reflection of those of the Ancient Egyptian Priesthood, but, like those on which they are based, they are symbols of actual life, which to many is a dark and terrible enigma, impossible either to solve or escape from; they, like the ancient ceremonies, carry the initiate from his entrance on this mortal existence to his exit from it, and Master Masons will readily recognize the connections between Masonic trials of fortitude and fidelity and those of the ancients. Like the ancient ceremonies, Masonry teaches us our duty to ourselves as wel as to our neighbors. It requires the practice of all the virtues, and insists upon the necessity for education and progress. It instructs us to perform our alloted task, reminds us that we are so bound together as not to be able to labour for ourselves alone, and that each blow we strike in our own behalf helps to mould the Universe. Because of this, Masonry can become, if we use it to strengthen our will to do right, the leavening element of Society which it ought to be, and which we like to think it is.

Above and beyond all, Masonry teaches us our duty to God. We are not to mention his name but with awe and reverence. We are to implore his aid in all our undertakings, and look up to him in every emergency for comfort and support. If we use our ritual and ceremonies aright, our Lodge Meetings will be opportunities for those thoughts to crowd in upon us which we cannot speak but only listen to, and our ideals will be worked into the web of everyday life, not stowed away, as they are too apt to be, in a sort of mental glass case, to be admired, but treated as unfit for daily use. Ideals are the things which raise the standard of humanity. They are the rungs of the ladder by which we climb to the skies. Masonry should enable us to form high ideas, and, what is equally important, to keep them constantly before our eyes. As the real acts of our lives are done in our silent moments, not in the hours of stress and turmoil, our meetings should help us to carve out our lives with the sword of strength and will. Masonry should help us to realize that we are greater than our petty lives, and if it does not make us see clearly "through the mists that roll around this time-girt isle of life" it will, at least, enable us to "hear the distant surging of the great sea beyond." It should also make us realize that the whole earth "is not a dingy workshop, but a stately temple wherein men may worship, and where at times their hands touch God's."—Chris. A. Cowper, W. M., Union Lodge No. 3, Hobart, Tasmania.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Not much doing in Eastern Star circles last week as all attention was centered in Grad Chapter.

The Past Matrons Club of Lorraine Chapter will meet with Mrs Hoke, Thursday, May 17, 1 p. m.

Appleton, Minn., Stars celebrated May Day with a May pole dance; hot biscuits and maple syrup were served for refreshments.

Mrs. Marilla Stone, the new assistant grand conductress, is owner and publisher of the Rush City Post and a very bright woman.

Thimble Bee, Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, will meet with Mrs. Pearl B. Marsh, 3040 Dupont Ave. South, Wednesday, 2 to 5 p. m.

Grand Chapter, O. E. S., Nebraska, elected the following at its session May 11: Mrs. Weinbrenner, W. G. M.; Joseph S. Pedlar, W. G. P.; Anna C. Simpson, G. S. and Carrie E. Wright, G. T. Worthy Grand Matron Thomas and Grand Secretary Taylor of Minneapolis, Minn., were present.

GRAND CHAPTER O. E. S.

The twenty-eight annual meeting was held at Saint Paul, Wednesday and Thursday, May 9th and 10th. There were seven hundred delegates in attendance and enthusiasm reigned; there were many sharp contests but harmony prevailed. Mrs. Madeleine B. Conkling, Most Worthy Grand Matron, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was the guest of honor and delnvered an address.

There are 164 chapters with a membership approximating 12,000; officers were elected as follows.

Mrs. Evelyn Yould, Carmel Chapter No. 127, St. Paul, Worthy Grand Matron.

William H. Kirk, Harmony No. 8, Minneapolis, Worthy Grand Patron.

Mary C. Taylor, Palestine No. 112, Minneapolis, Grand Secretary.

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William Wakefield, Benton, Lake Benton, Grand Sentinel.

The Observer is under obligations to Grand Secretary Taylor, Associate Grand Patron Patterson and Associate Grand Conductress Stone for courtésies.

In conclusion, I propose to ask you all to consider how far our Masonic principles and teachings influence us? Do they become a part and parcel of our nature—being at once an incentive and an inspiration to useful public work and sterling individual character? It is difficult, we all know, to put precept into practice—human nature is frail and expediency often appeals to us at the risk of dulling our sense of justice, whilst misconception on the one hand and misrepresentation or misunderstanding on the other, are subtle undermining dangers to the best possible resolutions. The hastily-formed opinion, the harsh hurried word, the impetuous denials that are sometimes given in the whirl of one's own business often cause pain, and risk, or, perhaps, destroy friendship, since they give unintended offense. Explanations are seldom sought, because a feeling of false pride checks the impulse to seek them—and so the gulf between individuals widens and becomes permanent. May I remind you that from Masonic principles put into practice, and from an abiding recognition by every Mason of the fact that he is a herald, ambassador, and custodian of them, better and happier conditions could be evolved. Forbearance and mutual sympathy are verily the stepping-stones which lead from the petty wrangles, misunderstandings, schisms, and misjudgments of daily life to that Brotherly Love and those great fraternal principles which are the copestone of Masonry. These thoughts are surely wholesome, for from reflection springs resolution, courage, and consistency; and they are beautifully expressed by Rudyard Kipling's words in "If we only understood."

Could we but draw back the curtains
That surround each other's lives,
See the naked heart and spirit,
Know what spur the action gives,
Often we should find it better,
Purer than we judge we should,
We should love each other better,
If we only understood.

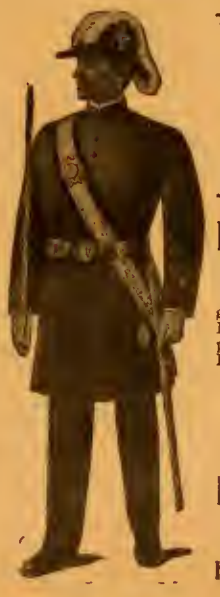
Could we judge all deeds by motives,
See the good and bad within,
Often we should love the sinner
All the while we loathe the sin;
Could we know the powers working
To o'erthrow integrity,
We should judge each other's errors
With more patient charity.

If we knew the cares and trials,
Knew the efforts all in vain,
And the bitter disappointment,
Understood the loss and gain—
Would the grim, eternal roughness
Seem—I wonder—just the same?
Should we help where now we hinder,
Should we pity where we blame?

Ah! we judge each other harshly,
Knowing not life's hidden force;
Knowing not the fount of action
Is less turbid at its source;
Seeing not amid the evil
All the golden grain of good;
And we'd love each other better,
If we only understood.

Brethren, may we all strive to understand!—C. E. Davies, M. W. G. M., Tasmania.

Dr. J. W. B. Welcome, Sr., born in New Portland, Me., June 4, 1825, a resident of Minnesota since the year 1858, died at Sleepy Eye, April 8th., and was buried by the Masonic fraternity.



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New Rockford, N. D., has a new Commandery, K. T.

Afifi Temple, Tacoma, Wash., has a class of 50 for its ceremonial May 17.

St. Aldemar No. 3, K. T., Grand Forks, N. D., conferred the Red Cross order May 7.

Spokane, Wash., Shriners added 31 to their numbers at a ceremonial April 30.

Albert M. Eddy, Chicago, bequeathed $1,000 to the Illinois Masonic Orphan's Home.

Grand Master Morris was the guest of P. G. M., A. T. Stebbins at Rochester, Sunday, May 6.

El Kahir Temple, Mystic Shrine, Cedar Rapids, Ia., received an addition of 28 at its ceremonial April 30.

The new Masonic Temple at Watertown, Wis., will be dedicated with all the ancient ceremonies; elaborate plans are being arranged.

The Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star Chapter at Wessington Springs, S. D., have fitted up new and elegant quarters in the First National bank building.

Ashlar Lodge, Billings, Mont., held three sessions May 3, for work; invitations had been sent to all neighboring lodges and there was a large atendance.

Rhinelander Lodge No. 242, Wis., received from E. D. Sterling, member of the Capitol police, Washington, a gavel made from wood from doors of the old congressional library.

Incense Lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M., and Vermillion Commandery No. 16, K. T., of Vermillion, South Dakota, each made liberal contributions to the California sufferers; the former body $75.00 and the latter $50.00.

The members of Monticello lodge No. 16, with fifty invited guests, met in Masonic Hall, on the evening of April 26, and listened to a profitable and interesting lecture on Masonry and its teachings, given by Rev. William Fletcher of Big Lake, Minn.

Clifford C. Gifford was recently elected secretary of Valley Lodge No. 109, Rochester, N. Y., for the fifty-first time. Stephen P. Hathaway has served Philanthropic Lodge, Marblehead, Mass., as secretary, forty years.

Faribault Commandery No. 8, K. T., Minn., appropriated $50.00 to the California relief fund.

Ivanhoe Commandery, Flandreau, S. D., elected the following: J. E. Peart, E. C.; R. Whealy, Gen.; W. H. Kellogg, C. G.; Fred. McLaren, S. W.; W. A. Simpson, J. W.; A. H. Odell, Prel.; Geo. H. Few, Tr.; W. P. Hess, Rec.

Brookings Commandery No. 14, S. D., elected the following: F. M. Kremer, E. C.; H. B. Mathews, Gen.; Paul Dutcher, C. G.; H. I. Stearns, S. W.; J. C. Jenkins, J. W.; R. M. Hardman, Prel.; H. H. Reeves, Treas.; G. H. Stoddart, Rec.

Vermillion Commandery No. 16, South Dakota, elected the following: E. C. Barton, E. C.; O. W. Thompson, Gen.; E. D. Brookman, C. G.; D. M. Inman, Treas.; G. K. Brosius, Rec.; C. Christianson, S. W.; C. J. Gunderson, J. W.

Hon. C. E. Davis was recently elected M. W. G. M., Grand Lodge of Tasmania, for the eleventh time.

The returns show that this Grand Lodge had 29 Lodges on the 31st. of January, three of which are "not working"; the membership is not given. Although not accredited in the report, Wm. A. Elliott of Minneapolis is representative of this Body before the G. L. of Minnesota, but Minnesota does not appear to have a representative in Tasmania. John Hamilton, Hobart is Grand Secretary.

The 125th. annual communication of the Grand Lodge of New York was held May 1, 2, 3. There were initiated during the year 10,356; passed, 10,167; raised, 10,071; joined, 993; restored, 1,167; unaffiliated, 1,983; died, 2,237; dimitted, 1,102; dropped, 373; expelled, 20; net gain, 6,516. Grand Master thought best to interject words of caution in his address. "Masonry is popular, and because of its popularity many are knocking at its doors. The time has come when it is absolutely necessary to exercise the closest scrutiny in the character and qualifications of those who seek membership with us." Townsend Scudder was elected Grand Master and Edward M. L. Ehlers re-elected Grand Secretary.

THE GRAND BODIES.

Grand Master Morris was in attendance at the meeting of Grand Chapter O. E. S. last week.

Two Lodges have been constitnted recently, at Westbrook and Virginia.

A Call for contributions from the Lodges to aid California sufferers, was issued by Grand Master last week.

The Masonic Home committee, the members having signified their acceptance of the appointment, is composed as follows: G. S. Ives, chairman, W. P. Roberts, T. W. Hugo, W. A. McGonagle, W. H. Laird, A. D. Countryman, J. W. Andrews, R. A. Wilkinson, Archibald Guthrie, A. G. Pinkham, F. M. Carlton and Mary C. Taylor. Chairman Ives will call a meeting of the committee at an early date.

Grand High Priest Bloom has issued a call to the Chapters, asking for aid for the California sufferers and has appropriated $100 from Grand Chapter treasury; several Chapters have already sent contributions to Grand Secretary Montgomery.

Grand Secretary Montgomery has sent out a circular letter to Chapters calling attention to the cryptogram and proper lettering and arrangement of the Ark, or rather Arks, and urging an imediate and strict compliance with regulations.

Grand Commander will issue a call to Commanderies for contributions to the California fund; several have already sent in contribntions.

READY FOR RUSH IN NEW QUARTERS.

American Tent and Awning Company Now Permanently Located in Their Own Building.

Through the purchase af the three-story building at 309, 311 and 313 Washington avenue North, C. M. Rawitzer, proprietor of the American Tent & Awning Co., has located his business in most ideal quarters. This company, which started in Minneapolis in 1897 with only about 800 square feet of working space, has grown so fast that now nearly the entire 15,000 square feet in the new building are taxed to the limit. Mr. Rawitzer's success has been remarkable. When he first started here traders, dealers, etc., throughout the northwest did all their purchasing in the tent and awning line from Chicago and other eastern centers. This is hardly the case now. Mr. Rawitzer has demonstrated that a local concern can sell just as good quality and well made goods at as low if not a lower price. All of his materials are purchased in carlots, thus giving him a jobbing stock continually on hand from which he supplies many smaller dealers. He is making a specialty of wholesale and jobbing orders and to meet the demand carries a full assortment of all grades of duck, canvas, etc. Two-thirds of all the goods handled by the jobbers in the Twin Cities are manufactured by the American Tent & Awning Co. Each year Mr. Rawitzer makes a personal trip of three or four weeks into Montana from where he receives a large amount of his business. Last year's trip netted over $16,000 worth of business.

With Mr. Rawitzer's increased facilities for handling business he expects to expand rapidly and possibly will erect a building in the vacant space on the rear of his property next year. The company has a branch establishment at 16 W. 3d, St. St. Paul.

It is a curious fact, but never the less true that the average man pays but little attention to the quality of his fire insurance, either as to the financial standing of the company in which he may insure, or as to its methods in loss adjustments. The insurers of large properties are becoming careful in respect to the character of the agent and companies and are fast treating the matter of fire insurance protection as of so much importance that expert agents are selected to prepare their contracts and select the companies.

They are becoming as careful in this respect, as in their selection of a lawyer to whom they refer their legal matters.

To the average man his fire insurance often stands between him and utter ruin, when his property is destroyed by fire, and yet so heedless is he of this most important fact that he places his insurance with an agent without proper discrimination; one who has no professional standing but is simply known by the property owner as being a "good fellow". Many thousands of dollars is lost every year through the failure of irresponsible companies and yet the lesson is not heeded by but few men. If one tenth the care were given by property owners in attention to the proper placing of their fire insurance that is given to ordinary business matters, a great deal of anxiety and occasional ruin would be avoided, when their property goes up in smoke. By placing insurance with Otto E. Greeley, 208 The Phoenix, the insured gets reliable insurance and prompt and equitable adjustment in case of loss.

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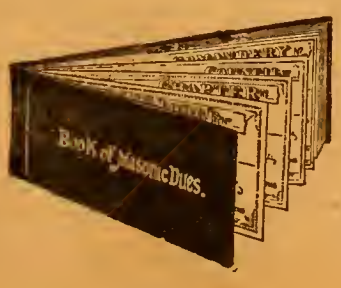
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Cataract No. 2, conferred the E. A. degree last Friday night.

Zion Commandery N. 2, will confer the Order of the Temple, May 22.

Ark Chapter 53, expects to confer the Mark Master degree at its stated convocation, May 14.

Khurum No. 112 conferred the E. A. degree last Friday and expects to confer the F. C. Friday of this week.

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A. special communication of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, has been called for Tuesday night, May 15, for work in the E. A. degree.

Mrs. Lynch, wife of Bro. R. F. Lynch of 51 Syndicate Blk., was down from Monticello last week in attendance at Grand Chapter, O. E. S., and incidentally visiting the Doctor.

George W. Brooks, residing at 2007 Fourth street south, member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, was buried by that Lodge, Saturday, 5th, John A. Schlener officiating as Worshipful Master, the Masonic Quartet rendering the musical service.

J. W. Graham, an engineer on the Omaha road and in that company's employ for twenty years, a resident at the Pauly House for nineteen years, was found dead in bed last Thursday morning; cause heart disease. He was a member of Zuhrah Temple.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, added ten to its membership last Tuesday. Work began at 3:30 and eight received the Master Mason degree in short form; the work being in charge of Senior Warden McWhorter with Junior Warden Hazard in the West and Bro. Dempsie in the South; these brethren are all capable and expeditious workers. At 5:30 lodge was called off till 7:30 and a fine roast beef dinner served under the management of Bro. Hazard.

There was a large attendance in the evening and two more received the degree, the work being in charge of Worshipful Master Foster, with P. G. M., Adams giving the lecture, Bro. Sandell being in charge of the steropticon and the Minnesota Quartet rendering the musical program. Many visitors were present, some of the more distinguished being mentioned in another column.

St. Vincent de Paul Chapter Rose Croix, No. 2, Minneapolis, held its annual meeting last Thursday night; there was a large attendance. The reports of Secretary and Treasurer show the Chapter to be in good condition. The membership report is as follows: initiated 68; admitted, 2; dimited, 3; died, 9; expelled, 1; total membership, 814. The officers were all re-elected, and are as follows: T. V. Moreau, Wise Master; Henry Deutsch, Senior Warden; H. R. Yerxa, Junior Warden; R. D. Webb, Orator; G. H. Simpson, Almoner; David W. Knowlton, Secretary; John Leslie, Treasurer; C. R. Cooley, A. E. Higbee and D. W. Knowlton, Trustees.

PERSONALS.

Alberta was represented at No. 224, May 8, by Allan M. Kay, P. M. Mountain View No. 16.

Michigan was represented at No. 224, May 8, by L. M. Miller, W. M. of Capital No. 66.

Monticello No. 16 was represented at No. 224, May 8, by Henry Kreis, P. M.

Anoka No. 30, was represented at No. 224, May 8, by H. O. Hilton, P. M.

Arcana No. 187 was represented at No. 224, May 8, by W. H. Ronald, W. M.

Plymouth No. 160 was represented at No. 224, May 8, by Frank McCuskey, W. M.

Arcana Lodge No. 187, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree, tonight, Monday; visitors welcome.

Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, will confer the Master Mason degree, Thursday, 17th.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., will work the degrees at its stated assembly Friday night, 18th. Be there.

Braden Lodge No. 168, conferred the Fellow Craft degree at a special Thursday, 10th., and will confer the Entered Apprentice degree Thursday, 17th.

Ark Lodge No. 176,—This lodge entered one at stated com. last Monday; the attendance was good. Bro. Charles H. Spencer, P. M., now of Seattle, was present. Bro. R. E. Titus, 828, 1st. ave. S. is convalescing from severe sickness. Bro August Johnson, 3233, 2d. ave. S., is sick with typhoid fever. Bro. Charles L. Deterly, is confined at St. Mary's Hospital.

TOASTS.

The drinking of Toasts at Masonic functions has passed with the passing of the custom of serving wines and liquors, as we have not yet learned to drink "Your Health" in a cup of cold water.

Never more shall we hear, as we stand around the board, the well known questions from the Worshipful Master, "Are you charged in the West, Brother Senior Warden?" "Are you charged in the South, Brother Junior Warden?" "Brethren, are you all charged?" Yet in France the brethren have four obligatory toasts; "To the Grand Orient of France, the Lodges of its correspondence, and foreign Grand Orients;" "To the Master of the Lodge;" "To the Wardens, the officers, affiliated Lodges, and visiting brethren;" "To all Masons existing on each hemisphere." In English and Canadian Lodges the custom continues to some extent and one of the most popular toasts is called the Junior Warden's toast, "Happy to meet, sorry to part, happy to meet again."

The writer has attended festive occasions in the Dakotas where it was the custom for the brethren before parting to circle around the table grasping each others right hand at the same time singing "Auld lang Syne." Are ancient customs all giving way to "work?"

Gallatin No. 6, Bozeman, Mont., celebrated its fortieth anniversary March 31; R. P. Menefee, the present secretary, was also the first secretary.

The Grand Lodge of Wisconsin laid the corner stone of the new Federal building at Superior last Saturday. Euclid Lodge No. 9, West Duluth, Minn., assisted by invitation.

A proposition is under consideration for the erection of a three story building at St. Cloud, to be occupied by the Masonic Fraternity, Commercial Club and Y. M. C. A.

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Slayton Masons gave a dancing party April 23.

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ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 6 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 376.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., H. M. Myers, Sec., 704 Mas. Tem. (T. C. 2780, N. W. M. 703.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

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Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

Ark 176. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Nic. and 31st at. C. C. Kramer, W. M., 424 Nicollet. E. C. Noyes, Sec., 603 Gty. Loan. (T. C. 700.) Meetings 8 P. M.

Midway 185 (St. P.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Hall, 761 Snelling Ave., Hamline; Chas. T. Pohling, W. M., St. Anthony Pk.; E. L. Allard, Sec., Hamline, (T. C. 6023; Selby 23-2. Prior 28-3.)

Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

MIZPAH 191 (So. St. P.) 1st and 3d Tues, G. L. Lytle, W. M., So. St. Paul. J. W. Creath, Sec., So. St. Paul.

CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. Cty Hall. 33).

Albert Pike 237. (Hopkins.) 1st and 3d Wed. Wm. L. Fuedner, W. M. Frank K. Wade, Sec., St. Louis Park car at Hen. and 29th st. or Lake Minnetonka car.

FELLOWSHIP 257—(N. St. P.) 2d and 4th Monday. J. W. Herrick, W. M.; E. E. Stone, Sec.

Montgomery 258 (St. P.), 1st and 3d Wed., Masonic Hall, cor. Payne av. and Wells at. A. W. Bergstrom, W. M., H. H. Blinn, Sec., 710 E. Jessamine at.

Ramsey, U. D. (St. Anthony Park.) 1st and 3rd Friday. I. O. O. F. Hall. Fred Joerns, W. M., E. J. Whitman, Sec.

CHAPTER.

MINNESOTA NO. 1—(St. P.)—1st Tues. A. J. Burningham, E. H. P. (N. W. 347); E. J. Larkin, Secy. (N. W. 2340.)

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, (Mpls.) S. E. Geo. P. Sjoblom, H. P., 301 Andrus Bldg., M. 2085, T. C. 392; W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Ave. S. E., M. 1957, T. C. 108.

St. John's Chapter 9. (Mpls. 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Willam Tweedie, H. P., H. M. Myers, Sec., 703 Mas. Temple. (T. C. 2657; N. W. M. 703.)

Summit 45. (St. P.) 3rd Tues. Fred C. Listoe, H. P. R. B. Ware, 1002 Pioneer Press. (T. C. 447.)

Ark Chapter 53. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Mon. Mas. Hall, Nic. av. and 31st. J. O. Rosenquist, H. P., L. A. Countryman, Sec., 109 E. 31st. (N. W. M. 332).

Palmyra 55. (St. Paul.) 2nd Tues. Benj. A. Phillips, H. P., Geo. E. Rouse, Sec., St. Anthony Park.

COLUMBIAN CHAPTER 60. (Mpls.) 4th Tues. Mas. Bldg., 304 20th av. N., John Hill, H. P. Geo. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

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Carmel Lodge of Perfection No. 1. (St. P.) 3d Mon., Mas. Hall. W. H. S. Wright V. M., P. P. Bldg. Geo. Herbert, Sec., (Omaha Gen. Office.).

Excelsior Lodge of Perfection 2. (Mpls.) 1st Thur. Mas. Tem. H. B. Marchbank, V. M. David W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

St. Paul Chapter Rose Croix No. 1. (St. P.) 2d Sat., Mas. Hall. Isaac Sedden W. M., Omaha Gen. Office. Geo. Herbert, Sec., Omaha Gen. Office.

St. Vincent de Paul Chapter Rose Croix 2. (Mpls.) 2d Thurs. Masonic Temple. T. V. Moreau, W. M., David W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. N. W. M. 771.)

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SHRINE.

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Zuhrah Temple, (Mpls.) 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. John S. Dodge, Potentate, H. M. Meyers, Rec., 704 Mas. Tem. (T. C. 2657, N. W. 703.)

EASTERN STAR.

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Minneapolis Chapter 9. .(Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Mon. Mas. Tm. Mrs. Abbie E. Reed, W. M., 17 N. 15 St. N. W. M. 4270-L Mrs. Mary E. R. McGuire, Sec., 3120 Stevens Ave. (N. W. So. 484-L-1.)

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CONSTELLATION CHAPTER 18, O. E. S., (St. P.) 1st Wed., Mas. Hall, Lowry Arcade. Mrs. Sadie Sayre, W. M. Mrs. M. A. Gordon, Sec., 1396 W. Minnehaha Street.

Plymouth Chap. 19. O. E. S. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Fri. Mas. Hall, 20th av. N. Mrs. Louise Smith W. M., Mrs. Emma S. Dooley, Sec., 252—18th av. N.

St Paul Chapter 24, O. E. S. (St Paul 2nd Fri. Mas. Hall, Lowry Arcade. Louise Kruger, W. M. Miss Mary E. Hill, Sec., 710 Burr St.

Minnehaha Chapter 37. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Fri. Mas. Hall, Cor. Lake st. and Bloomington av. S. Mrs. Susan H. Hand, W. M., Miss Mary E. Palmes, Sec., 2438 17 av. So.

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Allen G. Jennings.

Where are the wise, the great, the good,
Those sturdy sons of yore
Who labored here with Square and Plumb,
But labor now no more?
Called to refreshment from their toil,
Their works alone we show,
Who wrought for friendship and more light,
One hundred years ago.

Another generation comes
And in their places meet;
The silver cord again is loosed,
For human life is fleet.
We meet to-day, we draw designs,
Our honors to recall;
To-morrow comes the scythe of time;
Before it each must fall.

O years! what have they seen, what known,
What ties of love revealed!
What shrines and temples built since then,
What bonds of friendship sealed!
And yet our Order was not young
A hundred years ago,
A thousand years, it still was old,
As all our records show.

Men change, they pass, they are no more;
Kingdoms and empires come;
The Golden Fleece, the Garter, Star,
The Eagle proud of Rome—
The Lambskin has survived them all—
That knows no change nor time.
A hundred years, a thousand years
Our Order stands sublime.

Brothers, the mystic tie still binds,
The Great Lights still appear;
The mystic raps from East, West, South,
We still with awe may hear.
We'll meet then still for work with rest,
In joy, sometimes through tears,
And trust God's blessing on our Lodge
Another hundred years.

GLEANINGS OF WISDOM.

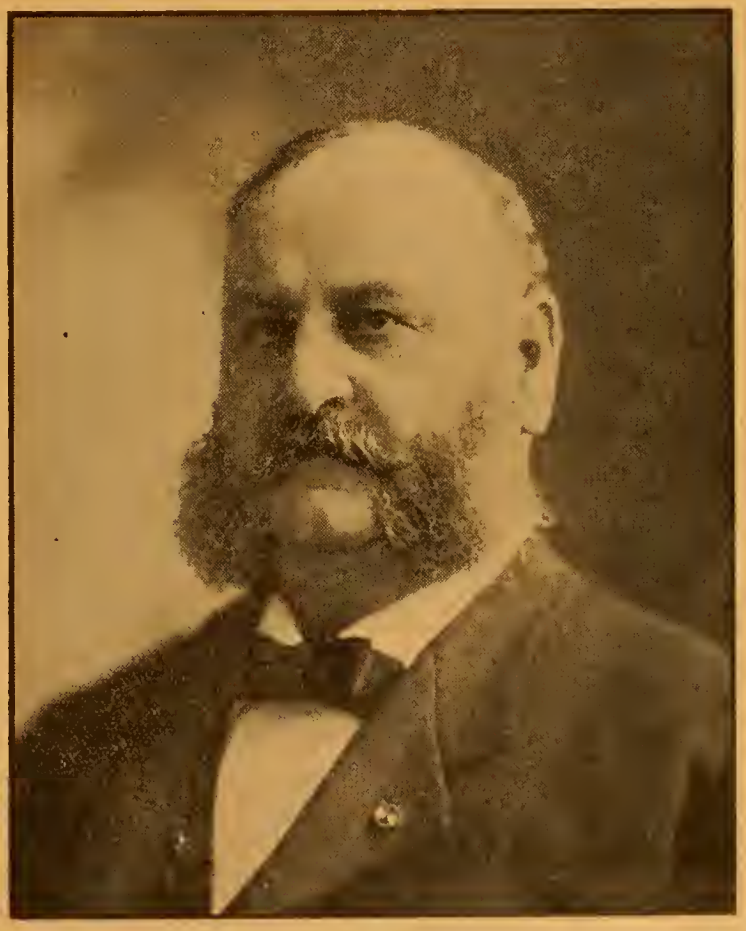
It is at once the glory of our grand Fraternity that it measures no man by this world's standard of high and low; that it is above the smallness which makes blood or birthplace the test of moral and intellectual worth, and knows no difference of nations, as Greek or Roman, Jew or Gentile, in the ministrations of its rites or in the bestowment of its gifts. We are sure that such an institution, so pure in spirit, so lofty in intent, with principles so noble and grand, will adopt the line of God's gracious providence, and welcome, though it comes through tears and agony, any advancement of truth and human happiness.

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To call one's self a Mason and despise the golden rule is the height of inconsistency. To profess to be a Mason and not keep the moral law is to make one's life a deception and a lie. The white apron of purity is the badge of a Mason, and there is not a tool or an implement of our Craft that is not sacred as the symbol of a moral virtue of a moral duty. The plumb reminds us to walk uprightly; the trowel to spread the cement of brotherly love; the square and compasses to guard our actions by righteousness, and to circumscribe our desires and keep our passions within due bounds. The whole beautiful symbolism is so far interwoven with religion as to lay us under obligations to pay that rational homage to Deity which at once constitutes our duty and our happiness.

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We are living in age when the conception of human brotherhood is tak-



WILLIAM H. MURPHY.

ing on larger dimensions. The higher life is finding new forms of manifestation, many of which are outside the organized church, for the church is divided into hostile camps. The fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man are brightening the human consciousness; the channels of social and material brotherly aid and sympathy are being deepened; the bonds of interdependence are growing stronger; and the exuberant overflow of the altruistic spirit is submerging selfish limitations.

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To this better condition of things, to a great hope and aspiration for unity, Freemasonry has made a large contribution. It has been an ameliorating, reconciling, unifying power and influence. It has been an oasis in the barren desert of an unkindly, envious and unhappy world. It has been a chief nourisher of social order and public virtue and constitutional liberty.

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Brethren, go on! There is none too much love in the world; alas for those who try to quench the least flame of it wherever it is kindled. To do loving things in a loving spirit is godlike. Be that our aim and our ideal under the All-Seeing Eye. God bless the great human brotherhood in the sighs and the sorrows of the past, fellow-heirs of the better hope and brightening prospects of the future. The prophecy, deep seated in every human soul, and now throbbing like the resistless tide in the living heart of the world, shall be fulfilled; liberty and love covering the earth as the waters cover the seas.

Thursday evening May 3, the new Masonic Hall at Lake City, Minn., was the scene of one of the most enjoyable functions the masonic bodies have ever held, this being the time set for celebrating the moving into the new quarters in the Lyon Block on Lyon Avenue.

This was a reception tendered by Carnelian Lodge No. 40, to the other Masonic bodies, their wives and adult families, and it was an event never to be forgotten by the one hundred and sixty present.

At seven-thirty the officers headed by W. J. Lowrie acting master in the absence of A. W. Corwin the present master, formed in line to receive the guests and as they passed down the line it was a pleasing sight and many were the brotherly and sisterly handshake given and received, binding the members closer together in the bond of fraternal love and friendship.

After the reception all of the past masters were called to the east and Master Lowrie gave a short address of welcome and then announced the following program:

A short but interesting history of Carnelian lodge by that veteran of the order J. W. Kennedy, who told of the organization of the order and its ups and downs, its trials in moving from one home to another. Companion L. S. Lutz then gave a short and interesting history of Hope Chapter No. 12, R. A. M., which was listened to with marked interest. Sir Knight C. A. Hubbard was then called upon to give the history of Lake City Commandery, No. 6, K. T. which he did in a clear and pointed manner, showing its organization, growth and trials through which it had been called upon to pass.

Mrs. G. F. Benson was called to the east to give the history of Lake City Chapter, No. 75, O. E. S., telling of its organization and how it had grown and prospered until now it is one of the best chapters in the state.

The evening's guests were escorted to the spacious banquet hall where they found everything in order. Rev. W. C. Lee was called upon to return thanks for the blessing of such gatherings, after which the guests were served to light, but delicious refreshments.

The dining hall was then cleared of the chairs and tables and both old and young tripped the light fantastic to delightful music.

This is without doubt one of the most convenient Masonic homes in the state and the members will have some good times in the future, for when the winter evenings come again, they will have all kinds of time for gathering there and having little parties and entertainments. The hall has not been dedicated to the Masonic order for in that way it would bar all gatherings for any thing but Masonic purposes.

Those present were much pleased with the new quarters and all expressed gratification on having such a pleasant home.

Enclid lodge, No. 198, A. F. & A. M., gave a party at Wade's Hall on Tuesday May 15. Last winter the lodge gave its annual party at Wade's but on the night of the party a very severe snowstorm blocked the cars and inconvenienced people in general. Therefore the attendance was much smaller than was expected and the weather caused disappointment to scores who figured on attending.

The lodge decided to repeat the affair and feels that it has reason for hoping that no snowstorm will interfere this time.

The Masonic bodies of Watertown, S. D., have completed arrangements to purchase the lot at the corner of Oak street and Codington avenue, formerly owned by the Elks, and at no distant date will erect thereon a commodious Masonic temple. Although the Masons have as fine a hall in Watertown as there is in the state, they have no temple of their own and are desirous of building one in the near future.

A number of the members of the local Masonic lodge drove to Plainview, May 4, to attend a special communication of Plainview lodge. There was work in the third degree and the Plainview lodge had extended invitations to several neighboring lodges to be present for the occasion. After the ceremony an elaborate banquet was served. Among the guests were Thomas Morris, of Crookston, Grand Master.

Plans for the laying of the cornerstone of the Masonic temple at Fond du Lac, Wis., are well under way, and the event is to take place Wednesday, May 23, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, The ceremonies will be in charge of the grand lodge, which body will again officiate in the fall, when the building is ready for dedication. Exercises of an elaborate nature will be held on that occasion, and there will be a large visitation from members of the order from various points in Wisconsin. A feature of the dedication will be a banquet served in the temple.

The arrangements will be in charge of the two blue lodges, Fountain lodge, No. 26, and Fond du Lac lodge, No. 140. The Commandery has been invited to act as escort to the grand lodge, and the Eastern Star will witness the exercises in a body.

About twenty-five Freemasons went to Griswold May 9, the object of their visit being to assist in organizing a new lodge. Members from Souris, Elkhorn, Virden, Oak Lake and Alexander were also present to assist. When the business of the evening had been disposed of all repaired to the Manitoba Hotel, where a sumptuous repast had been prepared. An excellent program by the local talent finished up the evening's entertainment.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The ladies of the Eastern Star, Slayton, Minn., gave a dancing party and supper at the Masonic hall May 14. A supper was served at the hall.

The Eastern Star had a very enjoyable meeting May 11. Grand Worthy Matron Keyes was present and congratulated the members on the proficiency of their work. A very excellent supper was served.

Signet Chapter No. 22, of Cambridgeport, Mass., at its meeting, May 2, appropriated $25.00 to the relief of suffering members of the order in San Francisco. Mrs. Cora C. Apted, W. M., is a woman of gentle and sweet manners whose work is letter perfect.

The May meeting of Keystone Chapter No. 18, Boston, was largely attended; four candidates were initiated; one year ago that evening 87 candidates were initiated at a meeting held in Faneuil Hall, the "cradle of liberty;" the Worthy Matron is Miss Minnie C. Thomas, who fills the position in a praiseworthy manner.

The report of Grand Secretary Taylor of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., Minnesota, shows the receipts for the year, $4,309.95; returns from 164 chartered Chapters and 6 under dispensation, shows a membership of 11,767. The Grand Treasurer reports balances of $3,646.92 in general fund, $1,493.49 in Widow's and Orphan's Home fund and Bonds, $3,000.00.

Mrs. Alex. Gardner, Jr. left on the 13th. for Toronto, Ontario, for a visit of several weeks with the family of her son-in-law, George W. Yates. Mr. Yates is private secretary to the Minister of Crown lands, and has been seriously ill with pneumonia and will make a visit to Scotland as soon as able. Mrs. Yates and daughter will return to Minneapolis with Mrs. Gardner about Aug. 15.

The Eastern Stars of Fargo sent a trained nurse from that city to San Francisco to assist in caring for the unfortunate of that stricken city. This nurse was Mrs. Rose Lewis, one of the most skilful nurses in the city, and a member of the Red Cross society. Through the generosity of the Eastern Star ladies and Col. Morton, she left on Sunday morning to help relieve the sufferings of the many sick and wounded among the people of the once beautiful city of San Francisco.

At a special meeting of the Eastern Star chapter Oakfield, Wis., held May 8; the degrees were conferred upon four candidates from Mayville, two being unable to come on account of illness. Following the ceremonies, short addresses were made by visiting members, after which the ladies served an excellent banquet in the fraternity dining room. The evening passed pleasantly, and as soon as the two remaining candidates can be initiated, a new chapter will be instituted in Mayville.

A delegation of 60 ladies, 25 of whom are expected from New London, and 35 from Marshfield, spent Monday, May 9, as guests of Arbutus Chapter No. 52, Order of Eastern Star, Stevens Point, Wis. The delegation representing Fountain City Chapter at New London were met at the depot by several automobiles and taken for a ride about the city and afterwards entertained at lunch by the local members of the order.

A six o'clock dinner was served to the visitors at Masonic Temple and later in the evening there was an important meeting of the Eastern Star, when ritual work was in charge of the New London ladies and the floral work exemplified by visitors from Marshfield.

On Monday afternoon, 7th., a very pleasant reception was given by Palestine Chapter in honor of Madeleine B. Conkling, Most Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

The Commandery room and the Zuhrahs Ladies parlor were made beautiful with palms, cut flowers, and singing birds.

Receiving with Mrs. Conkling and the Worthy Matron of the Chapter, Mrs. R. J. Morrison, were the Worthy Grand Matron, Elizabeth Thomas, Associate Grand Matron, Evelyn Yould, Grand Secretary, Mary C. Taylor, Past Grand Matrons Flora E. Moore and Flora Adams Pattee, and the Committee on arrangements, Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mrs. W. M. Walker, Mrs.W. A. Merriam, Mrs. W. S. Campbell, Mrs. J. A. Falconer, and Mrs. L. F. Foote. As a special courtesy Martha M. Emery, one of the oldest and most honored members of the Order in the city also received the greetings of guests.

Assisting about the rooms were Mrs. B. Boneau, Miss Phi Hartford, Mrs. Dr. Monahan, Mrs. Ungerer, and Mrs. H. S. Ray.

Mrs. Mattie Shannon was in charge of the refreshment room and was assisted by Misses Florence Wing, Ethel Trotman, Ethel Neimans, Pearl Dudley and Minnie Harrison.

The Misses Porsch rendered delightful instrumental music, Mrs. Anna Fosmire a vocal solo, and little Dorothy Gertrude Quayle a selection on the cornet.

A short but most enjoyable address was made by the Most Worthy Grand Matron. Mrs. Anna Morrison on behalf of Palestine Chapter presented Mrs. J. S. Brown the first matron of the chapter with a beautiful past matron's jewel; Mrs. Brown responded, feelingly expressing her deep appreciation of the gift. Mrs. Conkling was presented with a spoon as a souvenir of Minneapolis.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, held an unusually pleasant and interesting thimble bee last Wednesday afternoon at the home of the chaplain, sister Pearl B. Marsh, 3040 Dupont Ave. So. The day proved to be the birthday anniversary of the worthy matron sister Abbie Eells Reed, who was remembered with beautiful gifts of cut flowers, needle work and hand decorated china by individual members, while her corps of officers combined and selected a rich aligator travelling bag. This was presented by associate matron sister Louise Lyon Johnson in a short speech in which she pledged anew the loyal support of the officers of No. 9, to their honored worthy matron, and wishing for her many years more of happiness. This last presentation caught sister Reed somewhat unawares, but she was equal to the occasion and responded most happily. No. 9 has several good things in store for its members and friends. Wednesday evening, May 23, sister Jeanette Millar will be the hostess for an ice cream social which, weather permitting, will be in the nature of a lawn fete. Everybody invited. At the next regular chapter meeting Monday evening, May 28, Worthy Grand Matron Evelyn Yould and Worthy Grand Patron Wm. H. Kirk will be present. All members should bear this in mind. On Tuesday afternoon, May 29, sister Louisa J. Adams, 1716 Crystal Lake Ave. North, will entertain the thimble bee. Note the change to Tuesday instead of Wednesday. *Take 20th Ave. North car to her door. Sister Louise Lyon Johnson has invited the chapter and friends to her home, 2005 Second Ave. So., for an all day sewing bee Wednesday, June 6th, for the purpose of sewing for the inmates of the Florence Crittenden Home of which our sister, Hattie Godfrey, is matron. Ladies are expected to take their box lunch and remain all day to assist in a most worthy cause—Charity. Mary E. R. McGuire, Cor.

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Garnet Lodge, No. 166, A. F. and A. M., White Bear, Minn., conferred the second degree at its regular meeting May 10.

In Bristol Lodge No. 74, Bristol, Me., the fee for degrees is $20.00, dues fifty cents; clergymen receive the degrees for $2.50.

Robert Treat Paine, a signer of the Declaration, was made a Mason in Saint John's Lodge, Boston, previous to the war of the revolution.

The Anoka Lodge No. 30 A. F. and A. M., provided a very pleasing entertainment for its friends at the Methodist church on Saturday evening, May 19th.

Ex-Governor John L. Bates of Massachusetts, is a Mason of the 32d. degree, a Knight Templar, a Lawyer, a Methodist and in every way a man of high standing.

The Royal Arch Masons of Salem, S. D., had big doings here May 4, when two teams were given the last degree in the Chapter. A swell banquet ended up the doings.

Gilbert Patton Brown, the Boston genealogist, journalist, editorial and Masonic writer, is a life member of King Solomon's lodge, Sommerville, Mass.

One of the most learned Masons of Colonial times was Col. Jeremy Gridley, L. L. D., who was made in the "First Lodge," now Saint John's, May 11, 1748; he became Provincial Grand Master; he was buried in Boston but his grave is unknown.

Brig. Gen. Alexander Scammel, one of Washington's trusted chiefs, killed at Yorktown, was a member of St. John's No. 1, New Hampshire.

Rev. Edward Bass, D. D., the first Episcopal Bishop of Massachusetts, was made a Mason in St. John's Lodge No. 1, Portsmouth, N. H., April 12, 1758.

One of the most active Masons in Maine, is Bro. Geo. W. Singer, Editor and publisher of "The Damariscotta Herald;" he is a past master of Alna lodge No. 43, also a member of the O. E. S.

The Masons of Richland Center, Wis., celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the local lodge Tuesday May 15. A banquet was served. Toasts were given and the evening spent in social enjoyment.

The local Masonic lodge at Minneota, Minn., conferred the third degree on two candidates May 2; the work was done by a Marshall team to which the local Masons feel indebted for an exemplification of this difficult degree.

May 5th the Masonic Lodge at Eyota, Minn., had quite a time as the Grand Master was with them. They also had work in the third degree. Several from Chatfield, Viola and Elmira attended. After the work the Stars gave a banquet.

The oldest Freemasonry in New England is in Massachusetts; in the "Bay State" the lodges are not numbered; the oldest is Saint John's of Boston, established in 1733, by Major Henry Price, a tailor, who was at that time in high favor with the King.

Masonic tradition informs us that after the surrender of the British at Yorktown, Oct. 19, 1781, many Patriot Chiefs visited Lodge No. 9, at that, then busy and much troubled place; among the many visitors were Washington, Lafayette, Marshall and Nelson.

The St. Paul Masonic Temple Association, with offices at 314 Pioneer Press Building, has been formed for the purpose of raising funds and erecting a new Temple at a cost of $100,000; it is said that one public spirited citizen, whose property will be benefitted, will subscribe $10,000.

Arrangements are practically complete for the entertainment of the Shriners in Chicago next month, and while the plans as formulated and carefully perfected for the meeting of the Imperial Council in Los Angeles were shattered by the necessary change the national officers have exercised every effort to make the convention in Chicago as great a success as it would have been in Los Angeles.

During the past winter there have been over 500 Shriners from sixty different temples residing in Los Angeles, Cal., and they formed the Visiting Shriners' club. Many of them intended to return to their homes early in the spring, but had waited until the Imperial Shrine should meet in that city. They, as well as the local members of the order, were very much chagrined over the calling off of the meeting scheduled for May 21.

W. H. MURPHY.

William Henry Murphy was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, March 31, 1842, and died at Minneapolis, Minnesota, early in the morning of May 12, 1906. He had been ailing for several months but a fatal termination of his sickness was unexpected.

Mr. Murpy was the well known head of the firm of Wm. H. Murphy & Son., General Agents for Minnesota, of the National Life Insurance Co., of Montpelier, Vermont, with offices in the Lumber Exchange; the other member being his only son, Harry G.

Mr. Murphy had a very large circle of acquaintances and warm friends who will miss his cheery greetings and warm hand clasp. His presence was ever like rays of sunshine and cast its warmth on all about him.

Mr. Murphy was educated in the public schools of Cincinnati, and was an enthusiastic member of the High School Cadets. The name Murphy was but another name for Patriotism. At the call to arms in 1861, he was ready, and his record of service in the war between the states is an enviable one.

Army Record.

William Henry Murphy was enrolled as a private in Battery "H.," 1st. Ohio Light Artillery, for three years, October 28, 1861; discharged December 16, 1862, on surgeon's certificate of disability; enrolled as 2d Lieut. of Co. "H.," 2d. Ohio Heavy Artillery,

June 18, 1863, for three years; appointed 1st Lieut., August 28, 1863; transferred to Co. "M.," May 4, 1864; transferred to Co. "D." May 24, 1864; promoted Captain, May 31, 1865; mustered out at Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 23, 1865; Honorably discharged at Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 28, 1865. The engagements in which he participated were numerous, as the records show.

Immediately following his discharge, he decided to enter the Life Insurance busiuess, which occupation he steadily and successfully pursued. He married Miss Marie McBride of Cincinnati, very soon after the close of the war; she, with their son Harry G., survive.

Charles B. Murphy, a brother, resides at South Bend, Ind., two sisters, Mrs. Helen Clark and Mrs. Kate B. Conley, reside at Toledo, Ohio.

Mr. Murphy removed to Minneapolis in September 1889, and for several years has resided at 1208 4th St. S. E.

Mr. Murphy was elected a Companion of the "First Class Original", Commandery of the State of Minnesota, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, Jan. 14, 1896, and became a member of John A. Rawlins Post, No. 126, Dept. Minn., G. A. R., about 1895.

Masonic.

Brother Mruphy early became a Freemason and at the time of his death was a member of Cataract Lodge, No. 2, St. Anthony Falls Chapter, No. 3, Adoniram Council, No. 5, Darius Commandery, No. 7, the Scottish Rite Bodies, and also of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine, in all of which he was ever welcome and well beloved.

The funeral services were conducted by the Scottish Rite Bodies, the church services by Rev. C. G. Clarke of the First Congregational Church, Tuesday, May 15, and the body taken to Toledo, Ohio, for burial.

In the days when Washington, Franklin, Lafayette, Putnam, Greene, Steuben, Warren, Knox, Wooster and a host of such eminent men were foremost in the Craft, there were no disputes over the, so called, "higher degrees," and only the best men gained admission within the sacred walls.

A very enjoyable time was had at the Masonic Hall May 9. Merridian Lodge No. 56 Chatfield, Minn., was honored by a visit from Grand Master Thomas Morris, of Crookston, and the event was duly celebrated. Work in the third degree was exemplified and many visitors were present from Eyota and surrounding towns. An elegant banquet was also served.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Ark Chapter No. 53, Marked one candidate last Monday night.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will have a special Tuesday night, 22d.

Zion Commandery N. 2, will confer the Order of the Temple, May 22.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, will confer the Fellow Craft degree Wednesday night, 23d.

Ark Lodge No. 176, will confer the Fellow Craft degree at a special, Thursday night, 24th.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., will hold a special convocation Thursday, 24th., to confer the Mark Master degree.

Eminent Sir Joseph B. Hingeley will deliver an address before Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, at its stated conclave, Tuesday, 22d.

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Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, St. Paul, had an enthusiastic meeting last Thursday night at which five were raised; a "stand up luncheon" was served.

Lorraine social club will meet with Mrs. Hattie Whitelaw, 3321, 9th. Ave. S., Tuesday, May 22; all members of Lorraine Chapter are requested to be present.

Brother Dempsie entertains all Master Masons, who call on him in a social way, every Thursday evening, at his rooms, 316 Nicollet Ave. All are welcome.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will hold a special election at the stated communication, Wednesday, June 6, to fill vacancy in office of secretary; a full attendance is desired.

Samuel B. McGuire 3120 Stevens Ave. of Minnesota Lodge No. 224 has returned from Binghamton, New York where he has been since early in Dec. and is in very poor health.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, expects to confer the Royal Arch degree, Saturday night, 26th.; the Past and Most Excellent degrees were conferred last Saturday night.

St. Paul Council No. 1, R. & S. M., will confer all the degrees in full, Wednesday, May 23, 7:30, sharp; music by Minnesota Quartet; Lunch at 10:30; all members of the rite invited.

Mr. Payson G. Tozier, a well known business man and Scottish Rite Mason, and Miss Tozier, of Fargo, N. D., were in attendance at the funeral of their old friend W. H. Murphy, last week.

Braden Lodge No. 168, is working with great enthusiasm in aid of the proposed new Masonic Temple; a committee of twenty-four has been appointed, one to each ten of the membership, to solicit funds.

David P. Hess, Tyler of Newport Lodge No. 118, was a caller last Friday; Brother Hess is an enthusiastic Mason, having the love of the fraternity and the brotherhood of man in his heart. He was born in Hamilton, Ontario, and has resided on a farm at Newport for more than thirty-five years.

Brother Chas. D. Raymer, formerly of Minneapolis and a Past Master of Minnesota Lodge No. 224, has just issued "Raymer's Dictionary of Spokane," a souvenir, history, guide and collection of maps of the city; it tells of points of interest in City and State and of opportunities for profitable investment. Bro. Raymer will be pleased to greet old acquaintances at his book shop 122 Washington St.

Shekinah Lodge No. 171, will have a "Past Master Night," Monday, May 21; there will be work on the Master Mason degree. Invitations have been issued to Grand Master Morris, several Past Grand Masters and other Grand Officers; members of sister lodges will be cordially welcome. The several stations and places will be filled as follows: C. S. Schurman, as W. M., E. C. Shibley, as S. W., H. P. Porter, as J. W., W. S. Cuff, as Treas., Wm. Cuff, as Sec., W. A. Daratt, as S. D., Paul Miller, as J. D., Thos. Yould, as S. S., Edward Yanish, as J. S., John Dale, as Chap., assisted by many others. There will be music and lunch.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 conferred the E. A. degree on Tuesday evening, and expects to confer the same degree on next Tuesday evening at the stated communication. The Worshipful Master hopes that officers and many members will be on hand early and ready for a full evening's work.

Brother Benj. F. Ward of Minnehaha Lodge has recently buried one of his two little daughters, and the sincere sympathy of the Brethren is extended to him and his family circle. Why one of the two little daughters of the household has been called so soon to lay aside her earthly habiliment of flesh and enter upon the life to come may not at present be known, but the great future shall reveal the reason, and all the children of men shall be satisfied with the plan and methods of the Eternal Father.

Grand Master Brookman, was in Sioux Falls May 9, conferring with George A. Pettigrew grand secretary of the Masonic bodies regarding the dedication of the magnificent Masonic Temple in this city early in June. The members of the order in this city resent the report that has been published that the new temple will not be completed by the date set for the grand lodge. The temple will be completed and ready for dedication on June 11 without any question.

When seen the contractors, J. J. Olson & Son, asserted that there is nothing to hinder the work and at the present rate every thing will be in readiness for the reception and entertainment of the outside guests when the date for the grand lodge meeting arrives.

The Grand Commandery, K. T., West Virginia, at its thirty-second annual held in Clarksburg, May 9 and 10, elected and appointed the following: Joseph Ruffner, G. C., William W. Whyte, D. G. C., Charles W. Brown, G. G., William T. Rittenhouse, G. C. G., H. Byron Baguley, G. S. W., Ed. O. Bower, G. J. W., J. S. Vandervort, G. T., Francis E. Nichols, G. R., Rev. C. H. Monoly, G. P., J. M. Hawkins, Gr. St. Br., A. C. Nadenbousch, Gr. Sw. Br., Henry F. Smith, G. W., J. Talman Waters, G. C. of G. Knighted during the year 244, admitted 10, reinstated 1, dimitted 25, suspended 33, died 27, net gain 170, total membership 2,349.

On Monday May 7, the Waterville, Washington, Masonic lodge will conduct the ceremonies at the laying of the cornerstone of the new courthouse. The grand master being unable to be present, a special dispensation has been granted Judge W. T. Warren of Davenport to act in his place. The city administration declared a legal holiday and all places of business were closed.

The Masonic lodge of Buffalo, Minn., had a very well attended meeting May 9. Having work in the third degree, they invited the masons of the neighboring towns to attend, and they generally responded, especially those of Tower City. At midnight a delicious supper was served.

Lodge Directory.

BLUE LODGE.

Cataract 2, (Mpls.) 1st Sat., 20-22 Univ. av. S. E. Frank L. Gowen, W. M. W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Av. S. E.

ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hsndrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 5 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 6th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 375.)

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Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

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Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

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CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. Cty Hall. 33).

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THE LODGE OF CANONGATE.

Wor. W. J. Allen.

The Lodge of Canongate, or Lodge Canongate Kilwinning No. 2, as it is now known, was so far as existing records show, the first Lodge in Scotland authorized to enter, receive and pass those who were qualified by virtue of a warrant, charter or commission from a Grand, or as it was at that time termed, Head Lodge. This unique document was issued by (Mother) Kilwinning Lodge, now No. 0, on the roll of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. December 20, 1677, and is as follows:

"At the ludge of Kilwinning the twentie day of december 1677 yearse deacons and wardanes and the rest of the brethren, considering the love and favour showne to us be the rest of the brethren of the cannigate in Edenbroughe, ane part of our number being willing to be boked and inroled the qch day gives power and liberty to them to enter, receave, and pass ony qualified persons that they think fitt, in name and behalf of the ludge, of Kilwinning, and to pay the ther entry and booking moneys due to the sd ludge, as we do our selves, they sending on of ther number to us yearly, and we to do the lyke to them if need be. The qlk day of ther names are insert into this book."

This document is signed by twelve members of the Lodge, (Kilwinning), to nine of which is attached their marks. Gould in his "History of Freemasonry" (1886), claims this charter was granted to several members of Kilwinning Lodge residing at Edinburgh. In the St. John's Card, or year book of Canongate Kilwinning Lodge for 1905 however, it is claimed that according to tradition, the Lodge had its inception as an operative body at the building of Holyrood Abbey, founded by King David I, in 1128, for the Canons Regular of St. Augustine and dedicated to the Holy Rood or Cross, brought to Scotland by his mother, the pious Margaret. This Cross was called the Black Rood of Scotland. Possibly the application for a charter had its origin in the contention then existing between Kilwinning Lodge and the Lodge at Edinburgh, (St. Mary's), as to seniority, fostered by members of the former Lodge, together with unattached craftsmen residing within the precincts of Canongate. The Lodge meets now, and presumably did at that time, in St. John's Chapel, built as appears from an inscription on the lintel of a fireplace in a kitchen in the Tenandries of the Chapel, in 1486; this lintel also bears emblems denoting Faith, Hope and Charity, represented by a daisy, an anchor and a heart, and the following legend: "The morn ne sorn be heir," a rude rendering of "Post Nubila Phoebus."

It was in St. John's Chapel the Grand Lodge of Scotland was organized in 1736, and the first Grand Master of that body, William St. Clair, was a member of this Lodge. The existing records of the Lodge however date from 1735, when according to Gould, the Lodge was reorganized as a speculative body. It was in Canongate Kilwinning Lodge that Robert Burns, who was initiated in St. David Lodge, Tarbolton, July 4, 1781, was crowned Poet Laureate, March 1, 1787, an office retained by him until 1796, when it was held in abeyance until the appointment of James Hogg, (the Ettrick Shepherd),



THERON P. HEALY,

Member of Ark Lodge No. 176, Ark, Chapter No. 53, Mounted Commandery No. 23, and Zurah Temple. Recently deceased.

in 1835, and has since been filled by a series of able writers, the present incumbent being Rudyard Kipling. The Lodge, as is customary in most of the symbolic Lodges of Scotland, in addition to the three symbolic degrees confers the Mark. The Lodge holds its annual festival, or communication, on St. John the Baptist's day, (June 24), and its regalia is trimmed with red. It is one of the few Lodges which by inherent right claims and exercises the privilege of not being compelled to produce for the inspection of candidates or any one else a charter from the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

In 1834, a number of the members who were affiliated with the Capitular degrees, determined to have a Chapter more closely identified with the Lodge, the result of which was the institution of Canongate Kilwinning Chapter No. 56, the first meeting of which was held March 27, 1835, followed by its consecration April 15, 1836. There is also in connection with the Lodge an Encampment of Knights Templar, "Cannongate Kilwinning Encampment of Knights Templar and Priory of Malta No. 1½," under a charter from the "Grand Encampment of the Temple and Malta of Scotland," a body in close affiliation with an organization known as the "Scottish Grand Council of Rites." There is also an organization known as "The Corporation of Squaremen" connected with this Lodge, the officers of which are a Deacon, Old Deacon, Box Master, who is Treasurer and Secretary, and twelve assistants, which meets in St. John's Chapel and the kitchen, "the first lawful day of every month except January."

SYMPATHY FROM FRANCE.

In the presence of a great disaster the world's sympathy sweeps aside as things of no account the little barriers which institutions or even nations may raise between men. Humanity's truest and best sentiments do not stop at frontiers, nor do they regard the ethics which organizations have decreed for their own government.

Joseph E. Morcombe of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is in receipt of an interesting communication from the Masonic Grand Orient of France, enclosing a resolution passed by the Council of the Order April 23. This voices the sympathy of that organization with the sufferers of the San Francisco earthquake. This resolution reads:

The Grand Orient of France, profoundly and cruelly moved by the frightful earthquake of San Francisco, convinced that these terrible explosions of the blind forces of nature ought to bring closer together all peoples in a sentiment of human solidarity—which is a duty at the same time dearer and more imperious with Free Masons, all united in the same aspiration for a universal fraternity, sends to the victims of the disaster, to all Free Masons of America, and to the great, friendly people of the United States, the expression of its sorrowful and fraternal sympathy.

(Voted unanimously in the session of April 23, 1906).

The accompanying letter sets forth that the Grand Orient is unfortunately, unable to make this expression known to American Masons through the usual official channel, and asks the recipient of the letter to give it publicity through the press, or in any other manner which he may deem advisable. Similar resolutions, it is explained have recently been passed and sent to the Grand Orient of Italy, on occasion of the inundation in Calabria and the eruption of Vesuvius.

"Some explanation of this peculiar method," says Mr. Morcombe, "may be necessary. In the 70s fraternal relations were severed with the French body because of certain changes which it had made in its constitutions and ceremonies, and which were deemed by English speaking craftsmen subversive of Masonic principles. Since that time the differences between the French and Anglo-Saxon branches of the great fraternity have been accentuated. The former, pursuing a course which was really forced upon them by the peculiar conditions of their country, have been accounted radical. They have become a strong factor in politics of the republic, and hopes for a reconciliation and renewal of relations can not soon be looked for. Another body, the Grand Lodge of France, holding closer to original ideas of the craft, has lately come into prominence and has appealed to American Grand Lodges for recognition."

In the controversy which has arisen upon this subject in the Masonic press Mr. Morcombe, as one of the most energetic writers, has taken position favoring this last named Grand body. In consequence his name is well known in France, and thus the communication and accompanying resolution comes to him.

"I comply with the request of the Grand Orient," says Mr. Morcombe, "as coming from a body of men who are profoundly affected by the great disaster and make it known with pleasure as evidencing the real solidarity of mankind."

Sunday, May 20, the daily press announced the death of Dr. Samuel J. Moore of Mitchell, South Dakota, which occurred suddenly the previous evening.

In June, 1899, Companion Moore, member of Mitchell Chapter No. 16, R. A. M., was elected Grand Scribe of the Grand Chapter; in 1900, owing to the removal from the state, of the Deputy Grand High Priest, he was elected to that office, and in 1901, elected High Priest, serving until June 1902, the close of the thirteenth annual convocation. Let us in his own language hope with him that "his conduct and piety had been such, that with a firm reliance in Divine Providence, when the summons came he gained ready admission into the Grand Chapter above."

At time of death he was the assistant Adjutant General of the State Militia and a member of the G. A. R.

The general grand Council, R. & S. M., will meet in Boston, June 18; the Minnesota representatives will leave St. Paul on the 15th. Statistics will show that there have been 1912 deaths, 1100 dimissions, 13,311 greeted and a net gain of 8,000 during the last three years, an excess of 4,000 over last previous three years; the membership in Councils constituent to general grand Council is 46,000. One additional jurisdiction, Alabama, has been added, leaving only six independent jurisdictions.

It is a curious fact, but never the less true that the average man pays but little attention to the quality of his fire insurance, either as to the financial standing of the company in which he may insure, or as to its methods in loss adjustments. The insurers of large properties are becoming careful in respect to the character of the agent and companies and are fast treating the matter of fire insurance protection as of so much importance that expert agents are selected to prepare their contracts and select the companies.

They are becoming as careful in this respect, as in their selection of a lawyer to whom they refer their legal matters.

To the average man his fire insurance often stands between him and utter ruin, when his property is destroyed by fire, and yet so heedless is he of this most important fact that he places his insurance with an agent without proper discrimination; one who has no professional standing but is simply known by the property owner as being a "good fellow". Many thousands of dollars is lost every year through the failure of irresponsible companies and yet the lesson is not heeded by but few men. If one tenth the care were given by property owners in attention to the proper placing of their fire insurance that is given to ordinary business matters, a great deal of anxiety and occasional ruin would be avoided, when their property goes up in smoke. By placing insurance with Otto E. Greeley, 208 The Phoenix, the insured gets reliable insurance and prompt and equitable adjustment in case of loss.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The Stars of Antigo, Wis., celebrated their fifteenth anniversary May 16.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will have a special communication Tuesday night, 29th.

Martha Chapter No. 132, Anoka, will entertain the officers of St. Paul No. 24, June 5.

The floral work of the Order was written in a house on Union street, Brooklyn, in 1874.

The Stars at Chatfield, Minn., gave a public presentation of "Rebecca's Triumph", May 25.

The Stars of Nebraska have contributed to date, $1,200 to members of the Order at San Francisco.

A convention of Oakes, Ellendale, Edgeley and La Moure, N. D., Chapters, was held at the latter place May 18.

At a recent meeting of La Rochelle Chapter No. 294, New York, the souvenirs were celluloid trowels, attached to blue ribbons.

Crookston Chapter No. 137, Minn., has invited Acacia of Grand Forks, N. D., to be its guest May 29; the invitation has been accepted.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, will hold its next social session Monday night, June 7, at the residence of Mrs. Mary C. Taylor, 70, North 15th street.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., will hold its regular session Monday night, 28th. Instruction in the work will be given; members of the Order welcome.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S., will have as guests of honor at its regular meeting Monday evening, Worthy Grand Matron Evelyn Yould and Worthy Grand Patron William H. Kirk. A program will be rendered and refreshments served.

Sister Louisa J. Adams, 1716 Crystal Lake Avenue North, will entertain the thimble bee Tuesday afternoon instead of Wednesday. Take 20th Ave. N. car to her door.—Cor.

The National Acacia Fraternity.

The Acacia club of the University of Minnesota was installed as a member of the national college organization of that name on May 18 in the presence of about twenty-five members of the club, E. E. Miller of Leland Stanford University, grand treasurer, acting as installating officer. The members met at the Acacia club house on that evening and repaired in a body to a hall on fourteenth avenue, S. E., where the ceremonies took place. The national organization is at present composed of masonic clubs at twelve of the leading universities and colleges and is showing a healthy and steady growth, three more clubs being already slated for membership.

The local club is one of the first to be formed and the name now used by the national body was first adopted by the Minnesota club some three years ago, at the suggestion of past grand master Adams. It has experienced a promising growth during its short existence and the student Masons have taken a great interest in it, the club house at 124 State street, S. E. being a popular rendevous for the members of the order attending the university. Nearly all of the Masons among the faculty are members of the club and one of them, Dr. C. A. Erdmann is its president. The club is doing much to bring the members of the order into closer acquaintance with each other and should prove very benificial not only to the individual members but to the interests of Masonry and Masonic thought at the higher institutions of learning throughout the country.

Officers installed at the meeting were as follows: Dr. C. A. Erdmann, president; E. Lambert, vice-president; E. L. Baker, secretary; Prof. J. T. Frelin, treasurer; G. C. Borchart, steward. The grand conclave will convene at Chicago on June 20th, and Minnesota will be represented by F. A. Stewart as delegate and Dr. C. A. Erdmann as alternate.

After the installation work had been completed a luncheon was served at the University Lunch. J. T. Frelin as toastmaster called for the following toasts: "The National Fraternity," E. E. Miller, grand treasurer; "The Local Chapter", W. H. Murfin; "The Poet President," Dr. C. A. Erdmann; "Frelin's Understudy," E. L. Baker; "Good Fellowship," G. C. Borchart; "A Defective Obligation," E. Lambert; "Acacia Journeys," A. Johnson; "As Things Are Not," O. J. Hagen.

The Masons held an interesting meeting in their hall May 5. A supper of strawberries with cream, sandwiches, doughnuts and coffee was served. The lodge had as guests the following brethren from Elkton: B. D. Lovell, W. M. of the Elkton lodge and E. R. Zalesky, F. Henman, E. M. Schriver, G. A. Walrath, A. O. Lees, F. A. Buckholtz, Walter Lees, Tom Bryson, and Charlie Brown, also E. E. McDowell who lives on Route 3 out of Flandreau and Albert Gray, Jr., of Budgton, Me.

A large delegation of Masons from Ainsworth, Bassett and Stewart met with the Masonic lodge of Long Pine Neb., May 10, and gave the master degree to three leading citizens of this place. A banquet followed the initiation. The Masonic lodge of Long Pine is enjoying a large degree of prosperity and contemplating a new Masonic temple to cost in the neighborhood of $10,000. This temple will undoubtedly be erected in the near future.

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Elysian Lodge No. 222, gave a social and smoker on the 16th.

The Grand Lodge of Maine "adourns" instead of "calling off."

Redwood Falls Masons gave $200 to the San Francisco relief fund.

The traveling trowel, now in Detroit, will go to Toledo, Ohio, next.

Golden Fleece Lodge, No. 89, had a banquet and smoker at Litchfield, on the 11th.

Charity Lodge No. 98, New Ulm, is doing much work and meetings are well attended.

The Grand Masonic Bodies and O. E. S. of Washington will meet at Spokane 12 to 21.

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 24, K. T., Milwaukee, celebrated Ascension day services, Thursday, 24th.

Three teams will receive the R. A. degrees in the Chapter at Brainerd, Minn., in the near future.

At the invitation of the Rev. Mr. English the St. Omer Commandery No. 9 of the Knights Templar, Missoula, Mont., will attend the Episcopal church on the occasion of their annual service on the morning of May 27, the Sunday after Ascension day. Mr. English will preach the sermon and the beautiful service will be led by the talented chorister of the church.

Algeria Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Butte, Mont., will hold a ceremonial session June 24th.

Grand High Priest Bloom was the guest of North Star Chapter, R. A. M., Chatfield, on the 14th.

St. Peter Chapter No. 22, R. A. M., conferred the R. A. degree on three clergymen, May 17.

The fifth semi-annual reunion of Scottish Rite Masons of Tacoma, Wash., was held May 23—25.

The forty-ninth annual communication, Grand Lodge of Nebraska, will be held at Omaha, beginning June 5.

Brother Stephen Berry, Secretary of all the Grand Masonic Bodies of Maine was initiated June 6, 1855.

Wednesday, May 30—Memorial day in all states except Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia and Louisiana.

There is an attempt to revive Freemasonry in Russia; it was suppressed in 1822 by a decree of the Emperor which is still in force.

The Masonic Lodge at Superior, Wis., had a past master's night, May 16; the third degree was conferred and there was a large attendance.

The Masons of Young America, Minn. gave a farewell party to H. C. Ackerman and family, May 16th; the family is about to remove to Morris.

Frank Hurd Robinson, recently retired from the office of Grand Master, Grand Lodge, N. Y., received the Cryptic degrees in Hornellsville Council No. 35, May 11.

Winona Masons have purchased lots at corner of Main and Fifth streets on which they will erect their new temple; the building will be 93 feet wide, 140 deep, three stories, first story stone, remainder pressed brick.

There is said to be deposited in the Royal Alpha Lodge, London, England, a small lambskin apron, folded in four folds, having when unfolded, four round holes marking the passage of a bullet which killed its wearer, from whose pocket it was taken after the battle of Waterloo.

We advise the editor of The Masonic Sun to print the Grand Master's rulings in that most excellent paper that there shall be a more general dissemination of them, and a "lessening of the gross ignorance displayed in the lodges."

The Texas Freemason says: "We have been asked why we do not publish Shrine news. We claim to publish a strictly masonic paper only, and as the Shrine does not claim to be masonry, we know nothing about it. Officially we know nothing of it in a masonic publication." And yet it devotes more than four columns of the same issue to the Order of the Eastern Star.

The Masonic Sun, Toronto, advises that the number of candidates to be admitted into a lodge during the year, be limited, in order that the ritualistic work shall be more impressive. We agree that the number of candidates at any one communication should be limited and, if necessary, more frequent communications for "work" be held, as we do not approve of bunching candidates and working in "short form;" each candidate is entitled to and should receive the work in full.

"The stern integrity of St. John the Baptist, which induced him to forego every minor consideration in discharging the obligation he owed to God; the unshaken firmness with which he met martyrdom rather than betray his duty to his Master; his steady reproval of vice, and continued preaching of repentance and virtue, make him a fit patron of the Masonic institution." His festival occurs on the 24th of June. We suggest that Minnesota Lodges celebrate Saturday, 23d, with outings during the day or ceremonies during the evening.

"Therefore we must believe that every word of the Doctrine contains in it a loftier sense and a higher mystery. The narratives of the Doctrine are its cloak. Woe unto him who takes the covering for the Doctrine itself! The simple look only at the garment, that is, upon the legends of the Doctrine. They know no more. The adepts, on the contrary, see not the cloak alone, but that which the cloak covers."

AN INDIAN SPEECH.

In 1859, Ely S. Parker, a Chief of the Six Nations and grandson of the celebrated Red Jacket, was called upon at a Masonic banquet in Chicago and responded as follows: "As I found my race wasting away, I asked myself, Where shall I find home and sympathy when our last council fire is extinguished?"

"I said, I will knock at the door of Masonry, and see if the white race will recognize me, as they had my ancestors, when we were strong and the white man was weak. I knocked at the door of the Blue Lodge, and found brotherhod around its altar. I knelt before the great light in the Chapter, and found companionship beneath the royal arch. I entered the encampment and found valient sir knights willing to shield me here without regard to race or nation. I went further. I knelt at the cross of my Savior, and found christian brotherhood the crowning charity of the Masonic tie. I am most happy to meet you in the grand councils of the gathering and sit with you at this festive board, to share the greetings and hospitalities. I feel assured that when my glass is run out, and I shall follow the footsteps of my departed race, Masonic sympathies will cluster around my coffin and drop in my lonely grave the evergreen acacia, sweet emblem of a better meeting. If my race shall disappear from this continent I have the consoling hope that our memory will not perish. If the deeds of my ancestors shall not live in story, their memories remain in the names of our lakes and rivers, your towns and cities, and will call up memories otherwise forgotten."

There lived two holy men—two Johns. The one the Baptist, the other the Evangelist, men of extraordinary yet divers characters, yet both the living embodiments of the highest lessons of Masonic Wisdom. The one an impersonation of Temperance, courage, self-sacrifice and heroic suffering for conscience sake; the other the type of meekness, gentleness, sympathy, charity, brotherly kindness and holy love. These men so exalted above their fellows, so set aside and stamped with the mark of a divine nobility, were eminently fitted to succeed the august king of Israel—Solomon—as the patrons and exemplars of Masonry.

Red Wing Lodge No. 8, conducted funeral services for Wm. Tomlinson, May 17th.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Angust Johnson of Ark Lodge, recently confined with typhoid fever, is out.

Ark Chapter No. 53, will confer the Past and Most Excellent degrees Monday night, 28th.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, R. A. M., conferred the Royal Arch degree at a special last Saturday night.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., appropriated $35.00, to relief of San Francisco members, at its last stated assembly.

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Chas. G. Laybourn, a well known member of Mounted Commandery No. 23, K. T., is again at his office after a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Jas. G. Houghton, Building Inspector, was the recipient of a past Commander's jewel from his commandery Mounted No. 23, last Tuesday night.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will hold a special election at the stated communication, Wednesday, June 6, to fill vacancy in office of secretary; a full attendance is desired.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., conferred the Mark Master degree on three last Thursday night and will confer the Past and Most Excellent degrees at a special Thursday night, 31st.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, K. T., Walter H. Cobban, E. C., listened to a very instructive lecture from Rev. Joseph B. Hingeley, Grand Prelate, last Tuesday night, after regular business. Absent members missed a treat.

Shekinah Lodge No. 171, had a very successful communication on the 21st; although there was a severe rain storm the hall was comfortably full; the work of the Past Masters was just what could have been expected of them—good.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, passed six last Wednesday night. This lodge will confer the Master Mason degree on a large class, Wednesday, June 6; beginning at 3 p. m.; the work will be in short form; in the evening in full form. One of the features of this communication will be the conferring of the degree by W. M., Frank L. Gowen, upon his son.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., Wm. Tweedie, T. I. M., conferred the three degrees on three candidates at its stated assembly, May 18; Comp. Countryman presiding over the R. M. degree. There was a large attendance; among the visitors were General Grand Master, Andrew P. Swanstrom, Grand Master S. C. Schurman and P. G. M., Tusler.

St. Paul Council No. 1, R. & S. M., held a very enthusiastic assembly, Wednesday night 23rd. Although there was heavy rain the attendance was good; fifteen candidates received the degree in full form; the work being in charge of T. I. M., F. H. Young, and especially well rendered. The Minnesota Quartett rendered the musical program. The General Grand Master, Past Grand Masters Warner and Tusler and Deputy Grand Master Allen, were present.

The Worshipful Master of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, Brother T. W. Allen, has called another special communication on Tuesday evening, May 29, for work in the E. A. degree. Brother Allen is evidently intending to "bunch his hits" in the work in the degrees that are to follow. And this certainly must be all right, for Brother Masons, being "good men and true," enjoy traveling together along the way. Brother Palmes has cast off a severe attack of rheumatism, Brother Lumsden is rallying from a surgical operation in Ashbury hospital, and Brother Albert T. Ellis is maintaining a heroic struggle for victory over disease at his home at 2500 18th avenue S. Brethren, it does a sick brother good to receive assurances that he is being remembered.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, has voted twenty-five dollars for the relief of California Brethren suffering from earthquake or fire.

James A. Brush, the well known photographer, died Tuesday night at his residence in Minneapolis; he had been in business here for thirty years.

Mr. Brush was born in Detroit, Mich., Aug. 27, 1846, married to Miss Alice Spragne June 1, 1865, who with three sons survive.

Brother Brush was a member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, A. F. & A. M., Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., the Scottish Rite Bodies and of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine. His funeral services were conducted by the A. & A. S. R., in their Halls, Masonic Temple, Friday afternoon, May 25, burial at Lakewood.

AN ATTEMPT THAT FAILED.

In March, 1893, one Samuel Lax, or Lacs as spelled in his diploma, appeared in Minneapolis for the purpose of organizing so called Masonic Lodges; running across H. M. Myers and W. B. Hixon he was induced to cease his efforts and withdraw. The following is a copy of his credentials.

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Los Angeles, Cal., May 9—Although the national gathering of Shriners, originally scheduled for Los Angeles this week, was declared off by Imperial Potentate Collins, there are 1,500 visiting Shriners now in Los Angeles and they continue to arrive from the east in constantly increasing numbers. A special brought 100 of the Springfield, Mass., Shriners into the city at noon yesterday and some time today a special will bring an additional 200 members. Before the end of the week the visitors will number more than 5,000.

Mesaba Lodge No. 255, Hibbing, Minn., has let the contract for the erection of a Masonic temple to cost $10,000; it will be 32 by 85 feet, two stories, and will be finished by Sept. 15.

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CRYPTIC MASONRY IN NEW YORK

Wor. Bro. W. J. Allen.

There are no records so far brought to light whereby the date of origin of what are termed the Cryptic degrees in Freemasonry can be definitely determined, and authorities on the subject widely differ in their views.

In an historical report by Bro. Vincent W. Bates to the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York, June, 1861, it is claimed:

"The degrees of Royal, Select and Super Excellent Master, as conferred under authority of the Grand Council of the State of New York, derive their origin from authority of Frederick III, King of Prussia, who was in 1761, Most Puissant Sovereign Grand Commander of the 33rd degree, at Berlin, where the Supreme Grand East of the Ineffable Degrees were then held.

While there is a very grave question of the authenticity of this statement, or any other attributing to Frederick the Great, a knowledge of anything connected with Masonry beyond the symbolic degrees, it is an undoubted fact, they were originally conferred as detached degrees by the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and originated prior to 1790, and probably were brought to this country by Stephen Morin or his successor, and to a great extent, in the Southern States, were controlled by the Southern Jurisdiction Scottish Rite up to a very recent period, by the authority of which Councils were chartered and Grand Councils organized.

Referring to the proceedings of the Grand Council of Arkansas, we find that November 6th, 1860, "A Convention of Royal and Select Masters convened at Masonic Hall in Little Rock, on the invitation of the Supreme Council, 33rd degree, for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, for the purpose of forming a Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters. Ill. Albert Pike, 33rd degree, M. P. Sov. Gr. Com. President."

The first of the Cryptic degrees to be instituted was probably that of Select Master ,or as it was originally known "Select Mason of Twenty Seven," and probably the oldest known document referring to this degree is the certificate or patent, dated November 9th, 1790, granted to Abraham Jacobs, a Hebrew schoolmaster from New York, at that time residing at Kingston, Jamaica, by Moses Cohen, Inspector General, (Scottish Rite), certifying that he, Jacobs, bad received all the degrees up to Sovereign Knight of the Sun, including that of "Select Mason of Twenty Seven," and giving him "full power to initiate brethren and constitute lodges agreeably to our rules." Brother Jacobs returned to New York in 1803, and began the work of disseminating Scottish Rite Masonry and the detached degrees connected with it. Referring to his diary we find the following entries:

"New York, 19th November, 1808. Conferred the degree of Select Masons of Twenty Seven, on Brother Moses Levy Maduro Peixotto by his request.

New York, 26th November, 1808. Conferred the degree of Select Masons of Twenty Seven, on Brother John James Joseph Gourgas and Brother John Baptist Desdoity; also conferred on them and on Brother Peixotto, the Dublin Royal Arch, by their request."

Under date of December 4th, 1802, the Supreme Council, 33rd degree, Southern Jurisdiction, issued a circular in which, after enumerating the different degrees conferred by authority of that body, is added:

"Besides these degrees, which are in regular succession, most of the inspectors are in possession of a number of detached degrees, given in different parts of the world, and which they generally communicate free of expense, to those brethren who are high enough to understand them; such as Select Masons of Twenty Seven, and the Royal Arch as given under the Constitution of Dublin, etc., etc."

Probably one of the foremost in disseminating the Cryptic degrees and organizing Councils of Royal and Select Masters, was Jeremy L. Cross, who received these degrees from Brothers Eckels and Niles at a communication of the General Grand Chapter, R. A. M., held at Baltimore, Md., in 1816, when he, Cross, was appointed General Grand Lecturer of that body. Authorities differ as to how he obtained authority to confer the Cryptic degrees and constitute councils; some say he purchased the right from Eckels and Niles, others claim he was simply commissioned, but all acknowledge that he used the power, however acquired, for his own personal gain, and established Councils of Royal and Select Masters throughout the Southern and Western states, New Jersey, and all the Eastern states except Rhode Island, irrespective as to previous occupation of the territory. The course pursued by Cross, caused considerable feeling among the Councils previously established, and the Grand Council of New York refused to recognize the Councils organized by him, which probably will account for the action of the Grand Council of Connecticut, primarily a Cross organization, in granting charters to three Councils in the City of New York in 1854, despite the fact, a Grand Council had been in existence in the state of New York for nearly half a century.

So far as existing records show, the first Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters organized, was the result of a charter granted in September, 1807, to Columbian Council, now No. 1, "Royal Masters," in New York City, by Joseph Cerneau, the records of which, however, prior to 1810, have been either lost or destroyed. The first of the existing records of this

body are the following of a meeting held at:

"St. John's Hall,

"New York, September 2, 1810.

"At a meeting of a number of Royal Master Masons, Resolved, that Bro. Thomas Lownds take the chair and open a Council of Royal Master Masons.

"Resolved, That the regular meetings of the Council be held on the eighth day of every lunar month, and at such other time and place as the Thrice Illustrious Royal Master shall think proper for the good of said Council; and that the election of officers shall take place at the time the Sun enters Cancer.

"Resolved, That this Grand Council be known and distinguished by the name of Columbian Grand Council of Royal Master Masons for the City of New York.

"Resolved, That this Grand Council proceed to elect officers to serve until 21st June next."

The following Brethren were elected and installed:

Thomas Lownds, Thrice Illustrious G. R. M.; John E. Buchell, Ill. Deputy, G. R. M.; William Craig, Ill. Grand Warden; John Manned, Grand R. Marshal; John Utt, Senior R. Marshal; Zebedee Ring, Junior R. Marshal; Peter Roome, Treasurer; Jones Humbert, Jr., Recorder; George Woodruff, Conductor; Henry B. Roome, Herald.

The following Brethren were appointed a committee to draft By-Laws for the use and regulation of this Grand Council: — Thomas Lownds, William Craig, Samson Simpson, Jones Humbert, Jr., and Peter Roome. The following Brethren were elected and exalted to this Ancient and Royal degree; John N. Johnston, Royal Arch Lodge, No. 2; Robert Roberts, Hiram Lodge, No. 7; John Gowan and Asa Garnsey of Benevolent Lodge. The Grand Council closed with S. S."

In addition to the brethren just named, there were present on this occasion, William Foster and George Woodruff of Benevolent Lodge, Robert Young, Samuel O. Smith and Andrew Lloyd of Abrams Lodge (now Pioneer), and Peter Roome, King of Fredonia Chapter.

The following resolution in the minutes of a meeting held December 5, 1810, bring to light the institution of a detached degree in connection with the rite: "Resolved, That the 'Knights of the Round Table' meet on the 7th of the present month. Council closed." Agreeably to this resolution a "Council of the Knights of the Round Table" was held on the 7th, and the following Companions were dubbed Knights of the Order: Levy Nathans and Henry B. Roome, and the minutes of a meeting held March 4, 1811, bring to light another detached degree known as "a Chapter of Illustrious Knights of the H. O. of the Garter," (Honorable Order of the Garter), this is also noted as "Knights of this Invincible Order," and the minutes of a meeting held November 10, 1811, bring to light still another detached degree, that of "Knights of the Order of St. George of Capadocia." There is nothing in the early proceedings of Columbian Council, nor the first By-Laws, defining the qualifications for membership, and from the fact that the Lodge, alone, of which the candidate was a member, is with but few exceptions named, the presumption is, the degree of Master Mason was deemed sufficient for eligibility to membership at that time.

(*Continued Next Week*))

President Roosevelt turned on the current which illuminated the convention hall in which the Masonic fraternity of the District of Columbia inaugurated its May festival, May 21; he also sent this message: "Fraternal greetings and best wishes for the Masonic May festival." Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks were present, the former making a brief address. The festival is in aid of a fund for the construction of a Masonic temple.

Warren Lodge, East Machias, Massachusetts, now on the roster of the Grand Lodge of Maine as No. 2, chartered Sept. 10, 1778, was named for Major Gen. Joseph Warren; its charter members were all Patriots; William Challoner being the first Worshipful Master.

Khurum Lodge No. 112, Minneapolis, one of the most progressive in the state, has just issued a new "Blue Book" which is of great value to the Fraternity as well as to members of this lodge. It contains fifty pages, printed on book paper, neatly bound in blue, with name and number in gilt. Contents consist of a short essay, "Free Masonry," telling what Masonry is and seeks to be, form of government, etc. Next follows a definition of the name, Khurum. "Khurum is a Hebrew word and is rendered by Gesenius as meaning "noble" or "free-born"; Khur meaning "white, noble." "The word Khurum in lodges of the York Rite is rendered into English by the word Hiram."

A brief history of the Lodge is given, with a list of the charter members. Of the 37 charter members, eight, George A. Brackett, Thomas Downing, Daniel E. Eyre, Paris Gibson, Henry G. Hicks, Daniel W. Jones, Clinton Morrison and Edgar Nash are still members.

Short essays on "Masonic Fidelity" and Masonic Doctrine", cover four pages.

"Faith plighted is ever to be kept." "The word of a Mason, like the word of a knight in the times of chivalry, once given must be sacred." "Be faithful, therefore, to the promises you make."

"Be faithful to your family, and perform all the duties of a good father, a good son, a good husband and a good brother."

"Be faithful to your friends; for true friendship is of a nature not only to survive through all the vicissitudes of life, but to continue through an endless duration; not only to stand the shock of conflicting opinions, and the roar of a revolution that shakes the world, but to last when the heavens are no more, and to spring fresh from the ruins of the universe."

"Be faithful to your country, and prefer its dignity and honor to any degree of popularity and honor for yourself."

"Be faithful to Masonry, which is to be faithful to the interests of mankind."

"Masonry was the first apostle of Equality—and claimed for man the three-fold heritage, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity."

A roster of officers since organization in 1874, shows the lodge has had twenty-four Masters, eighteen still being members. The roster of members contains four hundred and ten names, only present members being included, most of which are names of men most prominent in business and professional standing in this city.

Twenty-three pages is given up to the Funeral Services which is so arranged as to be appropriate to the lodge room, the residence, church or cemetery, and includes the words of the 'Masonic Ode", "Lead, Kindly Light" and "Crossing the Bar"; with complete instructions to officers and brethren. The book was compiled by Past Masters Knowlton and Stiles and is a valuable addition to Masonic literature.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 held another of its social sessions last Monday evening. The business was hastened through in order that all might enjoy a rare program and listen to the talks given by the guests of honor. Many visitors were present, W. G. M. Evelyn Yould and W. G. P. Wm H. Kirk, also Grand Esther, sister Hall, who is also W. M. of Ivanhoe Chapter, and P. W. G. M., Elizabeth Thomas, were seated in the East.

In introducing these Grand Chapter officials, Worthy Matron Abbie Eells Reed, said, "It gives me great pleasure in having the honor of welcoming to our Chapter tonight the two highest officers in the Order of the Eastern Star of the jurisdiction of Minnesota, our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Evelyn Yould, and Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Wm. H. Kirk. May their presence with us this evening bind us closer together in the good, grand and noble work of our beloved order and inspire us all with an honest desire to work in harmony, peace and love for the upbuilding of the principles for which our order stands, charity, truth and loving kindness; always remembering that where there is harmony and union, there is strength and prosperity, but where there is discord and strife there is weakness and failure; one builds up and advances, the other tears down and destroys; one works in the sunlight of love and hope, the other in the regions of darkness and despair. We know that our Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron will do all that lies within their power to promote the best interests of our order and bring it up to its highest standard, but without the co-operation of the sisters and brothers in this grand work, their efforts will be hard and wearisome, but with that co-operation, inspired by the true principles of love, harmony and charity their work will be made easier and out of it will come to our order success, prosperity and advancement far beyond their expectations or anticipations. We all feel that the presence of sister Yould and brother Kirk with us this evening is an indication on their part of the interest they have taken in our chapter, and let us each and all here and now pledge ourselves to them that we will work with them and for them, with our hearts filled with love and charity for each other, always ready to forgive and forget, and that no animosity or ill feelings of any kind shall be allowed to enter the temple of our thoughts.

These few lines from one of Albert Pike's poems seem to me to be appropriate at this time.

"Be friend to friend more dear.
Let estrangements disappear
As the mists that flit away before the morn;
Goodbye to jar and feud,
Let the old ties be renewed."

Excellent talks from sisters Yould, Thomas and Kirk followed also from brother Kirk, after which a reception afforded all the pleasure of a handshake. This was followed by a program in which brother Trafford Jayne sang several selections and encores, sister Zella Zee Dodge recited and brother Henry Adams spoke. Refreshments in the library were enjoyed by all. This evening was added to the growing list of "delightful occasions" which No. 9 has enjoyed.

Next Wednesday an all-day sewing bee will be held at sister Louise Lyon Johnson's for the benefit of the inmates of the Florence Crittenden Home. Sewing will be provided for all. Box lunch at noon.

Wednesday, June 13, sister Augusta Germond will entertain the regular thimble bee at her home, 3043 Nicollet Ave. — Mary E. R. McGuire, Cor.

Marietta Stars visited the Chapter at Madison, Minn., May 22.

The Brookings, S. D., Stars entertained their Sisters from Elktou, White and Volga, May 17; supper was served at 7, the members being seated at twenty small tables; work and entertainment followed.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, will be entertained at the residence of Mrs. Phoebe Bailey, at Arcola, Lake Minnetonka, Friday afternoon, 8th. Members will go by Great Northern train leaving at 1:20.

Miss Dolly Taylor, associate Matron of Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., will entertain the social club of that chapter at cards, Thursday evening, June 7, at the residence of Mary C. Taylor, 70, 15th St. North. All members of the Chapter and their husbands are invited. R. S. V. P.

At the close of the regular meeting, May 26, Nicollet Chapter No. 174, St. Peter, Minn., gave a farewell reception and banquet in honor of Brother and Sister Wm. Nicol, who leave June first for Watertown, S. D., where they will reside and engage in the florist business. The regrets of the Chapter, best wishes and God speed them go with these faithful members.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16 O. E. S., was greatly pleased to welcome the M. W. Grand Matron of the World, Madeleine B. Conkling, at a reception at its last regular meeting. Her remarks were pleasing and instructive. Under the new administration, with Sister Latz as Worthy Matron, the Chapter is growing rapidly. There will be a class for initiation next Monday night, June 4. All members of the Order are cordially invited; light refreshments will be served.—Mary Tuttle, Cor.

Oscar Anderson, Velva, N. Dak., a member of the Masonic Lodge at that place, is experiencing the value of fraternity. Being caught in a rail road wreck near Altoona recently and so pinned down that escape seemed impossible he thought of instructions given him, and was rescued. He says, "I was wedged in between iron and timbers for about one half hour and had almost given up all hope of being saved, when finally it came to me to call out the distress words of a Mason. I had not been calling very long before a brother came rushing to my relief, told me to keep up courage a few minutes, and soon he got some men with axes and saws and cut me out. I became unconscious but the brother soon got a physician and brought all the help I needed." He was cared for by Lodge No. 490, Altoona, Pa.

A Scottish Rite reunion was held at Tacoma, Wash., May 23, 24, 25.



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A Chapter of R. A. M., was instituted at Jackson, Minn., May 18.

Governor John A. Johnson received the E. A. degree in Nicollet Lodge No. 54, May 25.

The Grand Lodge of Washington issues diplomas to graduates from its schools of instruction.

A dispensation has been issued for a commandery, K. T., at Kenosha, Wis.; it will be instituted June 13.

Ascension Sunday was observed by the Templars of Billings, Mont., by attending service at St. Luke's episcopal church.

A branch of the National Acacia Fraternity was established at the University of Wisconsin, May 22, by A. B. Clawson, of Ann Arbor, Mich.

Lyman F. Rice, publisher of New England Pythian, St. Johnsbury, Vt., is said to be about to begin the publication of a Masonic journal.

A new Commandery, K. T., was instituted at Madison, S. D., May 28; Cyrene No. 2, Sioux Falls, officiated; there were fifty charter members.

The Hudson River Trestleboard, speaking of the Eastern Star and Shrine says: "If we were asked as to which organization we would turn for aid in our every day affairs of life we should say the Eastern Star, but if we longed to have "a night off" and forget the worry and troubles of life we would say take the Shrine."

John Hancock was made a Mason in Merchants Lodge No. 277, Quebec, in 1760, afterwards becoming a member of St. Andrews Lodge, Boston.

Grand Commander West was given a reception by his home commandery, St. Bernard No. 13, at Austin, May 21; many Fraters were present to do him honor.

Commodore Isaac Chauncey, of American naval fame, was made a Master Mason in Independent Royal Arch Lodge No. 2, of the "Empire City", previous to 1796.

The Pettibone Bros. Mfg. Co., Masonic supplies, Cincinnati, O., was the first to respond to the call of the Mayor of that city for aid to San Francisco sufferers.

The Grand Lodge of South Dakota convenes June 12th, at Sioux Falls; the other Grand Bodies following during the week. The new Temple is to be dedicated by Grand Lodge.

Gen. Joseph Warren and Lieut. Col. Paul Revere were exalted to the Royal Arch degree in St. Andrews Chapter, then called "Royal Arch Lodge", in 1769.

The Quarterly Bulletin (Iowa) for May gives notice to grand secretaries carrying representatives to and from the Grand Lodge of Iowa, in their lists, that that body does not recognize either.

Saint John the Baptist and Saint John the Evangelist—two eminent patrons of Masonry. Have we forgotten them? Anniversary of Saint John the Baptist, June 24. Why not celebrate Saturday, 23rd.

The sixth annual reunion of the Scottish Rite Bodies held at Butte, Mont., May 21, was evidently a red letter day. The Butte Miner announced the meeting in huge red letters.

The grand Masonic Boddies of Washington will meet as follows: Grand Lodge, June 12, Grand Chapter, June 18, Grand Council, June 19, Grand Commandery June 20, and Grand Chapter O. E. S., June 15, at Spokane.

Mayor Silverson of New Ulm, just returned from a visit to the Holy Land, presented Charity Lodge No. 98 with a gavel, the head made of marble from the temple quarries at Jerusalem, the handle of olive wood from that vicinity.

Major C. Boyd Barrett, of Aberdeen, S. D., an ex-confederate of note and a leading democratic politician of that state, was recently presented with a Masonic pin by members of the Federal grand jury at Deadwood, of which he was foreman.

It being the duty of every Mason to belong to a Lodge, and contribute to its funds; therefore any Mason who does not contribute to the funds or belong to some Lodge, **shall not** be entitled to join in processions, or to receive assistance, or Masonic burial. —Sec. 38, G. L. Constitution.—Pay dues now.

There is a proposition before the Grand Lodge of New York, to be voted on next year, to amend the constitution so as to create four additional grand sword bearers, two grand stewards and two grand directors of ceremonies, making eight of each, also the office of Grand Advocate General, adding nine additional Grand Lodge Officers.

At a meeting of the National Christian Association, opened in the Reformed Presbyterian church, Seattle, May 22, Rev. T. M. Slater, pastor, presiding, Rev. Chas. A. Blanchard, president of the association, denounced secret societies and especially the Masonic order; like all such he drew upon his imagination for the lies he uttered.

The sixty-third annual communication, Grand Lodge, Iowa, will be held at Des Moines, June 5—7. The Quarterly Bulletin, Vol. 9, No. 2, May, 1906, just received, is full of good things for the craft. Iowa not being satisfied with the burial service used in that jurisdiction might do well to copy that recently published by Khurum Lodge No. 112, Minneapolis.

The Masonic Temple association of St. Paul is having excellent success in obaining contributions to the $100,000 fund which it is proposed to raise for the erection of a Temple. Ancient Landmark Lodge has contributed $10,000, the Scottish Rite Bodies $5,000, St. Paul Lodge $5,000, Summit Lodge members $5,000, Braden Lodge $1,000, and Damascus Commandery $1,000.

MINNESOTA IN 1856.

Grand Lodge met January 7, Moses Sherburne, Grand Master. Lodges represented: St. John's, No. 1, Cataract, No. 2, Hennepin, No. 4, Ancient Landmark, No. 5 and Shakopee, No. 6; total representation numbering thirty-one.

The Grand Master delivered an able address calling attention to the duties and obligations resting upon Masons, to the necessity for carefully examining the motives of those seeking admission within our portals as well as their physical perfection or imperfections. "Like a political party certain of victory, we may expect in this, our day of success, to see elbowing their way among us, every hypocrite, renegade and vagabond who has neither home nor hope in any other quarter." He disapproves of the plan adopted at the Washington Convention, but believes "that a general grand lodge, formed by representatives from the different grand lodges having appellate jurisdiction within certain specified limits, would add infinitely to our harmony and prosperity." He called attention to the subject of granting dimits, and thinks that it is of more serious importance than is generally supposed.

Charters were granted to Dakota Lodge, No. 7, and Red Wing, No. 8. A resolution was adopted authorizing a retiring Master of any Lodge, who has been formally invested with the degree of Past Master, with the assistance of two or more Past Masters, to confer that degree upon his successor in office. The charter of St. Paul Lodge No. 3, was surrendered, and a charter granted to a new Lodge of the same name and number. The question of grand lodge representatives was disposed of by a recommendation that no action be taken. A special committee recommended that a General Grand Body be formed, to be composed of one delegate from each Grand Lodge. A resolution was adopted which provided for payment to the senior representative, of his traveling expenses and a per diem of three dollars. A revised constitution was adopted. Grand Secretary reported receipts amounting to $392.50. After a session of five days Grand Lodge was closed in ample form. A. T. C. Pierson, Grand Master, Henry Reynolds, Grand Secretary.

Aad Temple Mystic Shrine, Duluth, gave an entertainment at Masonic Temple, May 25; among the entertainers was W. I. Nolan of Minneapolis.

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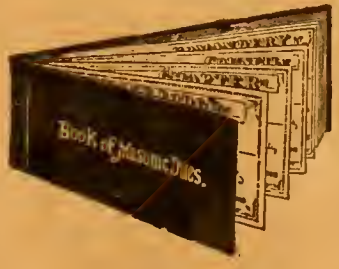
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Ark Lodge No. 176, will confer the Master Mason degree Thursday night June 7.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery held a special last Thursday night for Red Cross work.

Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine, recently appripriated $500.00 to aid of San Francisco Nobles.

Khurum Lodge No. 112 held two stated and five specials during the month, entered four, passed two and raised six.

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Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., held a special last Thursday night and conferred the Past Master and Most Excellent Master degrees on five.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, special Wednesday, beginning at 3 o'clock; evening 7:30; Master Mason degree in full form; full attendance desired; refreshments.

Darius Commandery No. 7, K. T., Stated, Monday, 4th, Business. Special, Tuesday, 5th, Red Cross and Banquet. Friday, 8th, Order of the Temple and cigars.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will hold a special election at the stated communication, Wednesday, June 6, to fill vacancy in office of secretary; a full attendance is desired.

C. B. Hughes, Rugby, N. D., was a visitor at Saint Johns last Thursday; he informs us that Rugby companions will ask for a dispensation to form a Royal Arch Chapter in the near future.

C. H. Sullivan, late of Dawson, Minn., formerly of Hastings and D. D. G. M., twentieth district in 1901 and 1902, has become a resident of Minneapolis and was a visitor at Saint Johns last Thursday.

Nathan H. Jones, Lodge, Chapter, Commandery and Shrine member, of 15, 4th St. S., has gone to his home, Raceville, N. Y., for a visit; will return soon, in all probability for permanent residence. He will be welcome.

D. F. Docherty, of Ark Lodge, No. 176, Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., Zion Commandery No. 2, K. T., the Scottish Rite Bodies and Zuhrah Temple, is located at Forty Mile, Ukon Territory, as agent for the Northern Commercial Co.

Fred Lacy, of No. 19, Saint Johns, R. A. M., No. 9, Minneapolis, R. & S. M. No. 2 Zion Comamndery, K. T., No. 2, St. Vincent de Paul Chapter Rose Croix and Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine, residing at Pinnacle, Ark., was a visitor last week.

At request of the family and of Auvergne Commandery No. 2, Fargo, N. D., Darius Commandery No. 7, K. T., Minneapolis, conducted funeral services over the body of Fred. Jordan, an employe of the Times of Minneapolis, Saturday, May 28th. Burial was at Crystal Lake Cemetery.

DEATHS IN MINNEHAHA LODGE NO. 165.

It was said by Robert G. Ingersoll, the eloquent orator, that "Every life is a tragedy." Even within the last few days the truth of this saying has been twice illustrated in the membership of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165. Brother Alex W. Lumsden, through years of faithful and intelligent endeavor, gained success and eminence as a millwright. He was chosen to oversee large milling interests on the Pacific coast. There he was taken sick, was ministered to lovingly while among strangers by Masons, but lost in strength, and was brought home to Minneapolis by his children. He endured two surgical operations, one in the West and one in Minneapolis, and yielded at last in the unequal struggle on May 25, 1906, surrounded by his children. His wife had preceded him in the journey to the better land.

Brother Albert T. Ellis was a machinist. Naturally skilful and steadfastly industrious, he wrought in Canada, Minnesota and Iowa, and finally was placed in charge of the machine shops of a steamship company on the Pacific Coast. There he was taken sick and was obliged to resign his position, much to the regret of his employers, in July of last year. Brother Ellis returned to his old home, Minneapolis, where he used to labor, struggled long and heroically for victory over disease, and yielded at last in the early morning of May 29, 1906. His wife and only child were at his bedside at the close of the contest.

These Brothers have both been laid to rest since the last item of news from the Lodge was sent to the Observer, in the cemeteries of what may be termed their home city, Minneapolis, the city to which they turned for comfort and rest when labor with them was no longer possible. May they rest in peace, is the wish of the Brethren, and may their families take comfort, as they themselves did, in a trust in God and in the hope and promise of a life to come.

One of the most notable events of Victoria Day took place on the American side of the river. The United States Government is erecting a magnificent building for Federal offices in Niagara Falls, N. Y., and the Grand Lodge of Freemasons of the State of New York was asked to lay the corner-stone. The Grand Lodge officers arranged that the ceremonies should be held on Victoria Day, so that the Canadian brethren would have an opportunity to attend. Invitations were sent to the lodges of Niagara Falls, Ontario, and many of their members crossed the river and joined with the American Masons in the imposing ceremonies. The stone was laid by Right Worshipful Brother Thomas W. Penney of Buffalo, Grand Junior Warden of the State of New York, acting as Grand Master. All the speeches were indicative of the growing good feeling between the peoples of the United States and Canada, and reference was made to the opportunity for the Masonic Order to play a large part in drawing the two still closer together, of which opportunity the craft is taking every advantage. The graceful recognition by the American Freemasons of a Canadian national holiday is much appreciated on the Canadian side of the border.

Every brother in good standing, and the wives, widows, and minor children of such, have a claim to charitable relief from the funds of the Grand Lodge, or any of its subordinates, upon presenting satisfactory evidence of their Masonic character or relations, and that they are in necessitous circumstances.—Sec. 39, G. L. Constitution.—Pay dues now, that your wife, widow or minor children may not want because you have been "dropped for n. p. d."

The initial number of Masonic Monitor, published at Tishomingo, I. T. has reached our table; it is an eight-page semi-monthly, subscription price $1.50, edited by D. W. Watson. Brother Watson has a large field from which to draw support, and from our knowledge of the Masons of O. T. and I. T., we believe he will receive it in large measure. Here is welcome.

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BLUE LODGE.

Cataract 2, (Mpls.) 1st Sat., 20-22 Univ. av. S. E. Frank L. Gowen, W. M. W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Av. S. E.

ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 6 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., H. M. Myers, Sec., 704 Mas. Tem. (T. C. 2780, N. W. M. 703.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Summit 163.. (St. P.) 2nd and 4th Fri. H. P. Fahnestock, W. M., (N. W. M. 2660; T. C. 375). R. B. Ware, Sec., 1002 Pioneer Press Bldg. (N. W. M. 1407-L; T. C. 447.)

Minnehaha 165. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Tues. 1535 E. Lake at. Thos. W. Allen, W. M., 3110 20th av. S. (N. W. M. 438-J.) H. S. Geff, Sec., 2628 Clinton av.

Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

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Midway 185 (St. P.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Hall, 751 Snelling Ave., Hamline; Chas. T. Pehling, W. M., St. Acthony Pk.; E. L. Allard, Sec., Hamline, (T. C. 6023; Selby 23-2. Prior 28-3.)

Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

MIZPAH 191 (So. St. P.) 1st and 3d Tues, G. L. Lytle, W. M., So. St. Paul. J. W. Creath, Sec., So. St. Paul.

CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mjls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. City Hall. 33).

Albert Pike 237. (Hopkins.) 1st and 3d Wed. Wm. L. Fuedner, W. M. Frank K. Wade, Sec., St. Louis Park car at Hen. and 29th st. or Lake Minnetonka car.

FELLOWSHIP 257—(N. St. P.) 2d and 4th Monday. J. W. Herrick, W. M.; E. E. Stone, Sec.

Montgomery 258 (St. P.). 1st and 3d Wed., Masonic Hall, cor. Payne av. and Wells st. A. W. Bergstrom, W. M., H. H. Blinn, Sec., 710 E. Jessamine at.

Ramsey, U. D. (St. Anthony Park.) 1st and 3rd Friday. I. O. O. F. Hall. Fred Joerns, W. M., E. J. Whitman, Sec.

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Plymouth 160, 304 20th av. N.
Ark. 176, Nic. and 31st.
Shekinah 171 (St. P.), Isabel & S. Wab. 3 flr.
Anchor Chap. 67, 23rd and Central av. N. E.
Darius Commandery 7, Mpls.
Paladin Commandery No. 21 (St. Paul).
Loraine Chap. O. E. S. No. 16, Mas. Tem.
Mistletoe Chapter O. E. S. No. 96 (St. Paul.)

TUESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
Mizpah 191 (St. P.)
Capital City No. 217, St. Paul.
Minnesota No. 224, Mpls.
Minnesota Chap. 1 (St. Paul.)
Arcana Chap. O. E. S. No. 38, 2221 Cen. N. E.
SPECIAL.
Darius Commandery No. 7, Red Cross order.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Election.
Albert Pike 237 (Hopkins).
Constellation Chapter No. 18 (St. Paul).
Montgomery 258 (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
Cataract Lodge, No. 2. (Minneapolis.)
Work in M. M. degree.

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
Excelsior Lodge of Perfection No.2, Mas. Tem
SPECIAL.
Ark 176, Mpls.
Work in M. M. degree.

FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Khurum No. 112, Mpls.
Summit 163 (St. P.),
Midway No. 185, St. Paul.
Plymouth Chap. O. E. S. No. 19. 304 20 av N.
St. Paul Chapter 24, O. E. S., St. Paul.
SPECIAL.
Darius Commandery No. 7, Order of Temple.

SATURDAY EVENING.
STATED.
St. Anthony Falls Chap. 3, 22 Univ. av. S. E.
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IN A PLEDGE FOR A GREAT COMMON GOOD.

By Henry Slade Goff.

Your hand in mine, my Brother,
For the work that is ours for the day;
For the lifting of loads along the rough roads,
And the cheering of souls on the way.
For the rounding earth yields from her millions of fields
Enough both for me and for you;
Here's a pledge to the man doing all that he can
That a Mason will see him through.

My hand in yours, my Brother,
In a pledge for a great common good;
For the grasping of hands over all of earth's lands,
And a world-circling Brotherhood.
Oh! the great earth is fair if we only would share
Its riches with those in need;
Here's a pledge to the man doing all that he can
That a Mason will stand by his creed.

CRYPTIC MASONRY IN NEW YORK

Wor. Bro. W. J. Allen.

(*Continued from Last Week.*)

The following in the first code of By-Laws, adopted April 21, 1812, would lead to the inference that the Royal Master degree was being conferred by others than Columbian Council. "No Brother exalted in any clandestine way within this city after the date of these By-Laws, shall be received as a visitor in this Grand Council of R. M. M., until he be properly healed, and pay the sum of seventy-five cents into the treasury of said Council." During its existence Columbian Council had been conferring the degree of Royal Master on brethren from all parts of the country, and at an "Extra Meeting" held December 6, 1817, received the first petition for a charter, or as it was termed in the petition, a sanction to a Council of Royal Masters organized "in the town of Boston." The proceedings of a meeting, held December 22, 1817, contain the first mention of the Super-Excellent Master degree, and is as follows:

"Super Excellent Masters' Lodge opened in ample form.

"The following Companions received the degrce of S. E. M.:—John Mayell, Tobias W. Bedell, Charles Rose, Edward S. Bellamy, H. Westervelt." June 21st, 1820, Thomas Lownds, who had been Thrice Illustrious Grand Master since the organization of the Council, was succeeded by Silas Lyon.

The first appearance in the records of Columbian Council, or Grand Council, of the degree of Select Master,



FRANK L. GOWEN, W. M.,
Cataract Lodge No. 2.

which apparently up to this period had been conferred by a separate body, presumably organized by brethren who had received the degree of Select Master, or as it was then known "Select of Twenty Seven" from Abraham Jacobs, prominent among whom was Thomas Lownds is found on a fly leaf of the minute book of the Council, and is as follows:

"November 25, 1821.

"At a meeting of the Select Masters Council, held at St. John's Hall, present, Thomas Lownds, Th. Ill. P. G. R. M. Opened the degree of Select Masters of Twenty-Seven. The following brethren were admitted and received this degree: Samuel S. Birdsall, Garrett Stack, Daniel West, Thomas Slade, Ransom Beach, Ralph Malbone, Joel Curtis, Jared L. Moore, John Barker and John Allen."

This is followed by a reference in the minutes of the Council under date of December 2, 1821, when:

"A communication was received from the Council of Select Masters informing this Council that they were willing to be invited to come into the Council of Royal Masters. The question being taken it was unanimously agreed that we accept the proposal.

"Resolved, That the fee for the degree of Select Master be $2.00."

April 30, 1822, a new code of By-Laws was adopted to conform to the changed conditions, naming the degrees of "R. M., S. E. M., and Select of Twenty-Seven," the name of the Grand Council, however, remained unchanged, until the union of that body in 1860, with the Grand Council organized in 1854.

Among those who received the degrees at the meeting of May 18, 1822, appears the name of Reuben W. Folger, who in later years became prominent in the several schisms which convulsed the Craft in the State of New York.

Prior to 1823, Columbian Council, or as it termed itself, Grand Council, claimed jurisdiction over New York City alone; but: "At a conenvtion of Past Officers of Columbian Council of Royal Master Masons, held on the 25th day of January, 1823, in pursuance of the following resolution passed at a regular meeting of Columbian Council of Royal Master Masons on the 18th instant, to-wit:—'Resolved, That it is expedient to form a Grand Council of Royal Master Masons and Select Masters for the State of New York, and the Th. Ill. Past Grand Royal Master,

Thomas Lownds, be requested to call a convention of all the present and past Grand Royal Masters, Deputy Grand Royal Masters, and Grand Wardens to carry into efect the formation of a Grand Council;' the Th. Ill. Past Grand Royal Master, Thomas Lownds, was appointed Chairman, and the Ill. Grand Royal Master, Oliver M. Lownds, Secretary." The convention organized itself into a Grand Council, and elected officers to serve until June 21, 1824. From the organization of the Grand Council for the State, the body seems to have been fairly successful until 1828, when there appears an interregnum in the records until 1831, followed by another from 1831 to 1837, and again from that year until March 16, 1842, when at a special meeting held in the Barnes Building, No. 33 Canal Street, at which: "On motion it was unanimously, Resolved, That this Grand Council be now organized."

Resolved, That the words "and Super Excellent Master Mason" be inserted in the warrant of Columbian Council, No. 1, ater the words "Select Master," and that the same power to confer the Super Excellent Master's Degree be extended to all Councils who have received their Warrants from this Grand Council, or may hereafter, which was carried unanimously."

This last resolution would lead to the inference that despite the fact of the adoption of the Super Excellent degre b ythe Rite, the Councils had not been authorized to confer it.

From this date until 1860, the Grand Council and Columbian Council, No. 1, were practically one and the same. Beside the power issued in 1817 to the Council at Boston, Mass., the Columbian Grand Council issued warrants to Warren Council, No. 3, Sheffield, Mass., June 16, 1824, Washington, No. 5, Grenwich Village, Mass., October 14, 1825, a Council at Cleveland, O., January 6, 1827, one at Washington, D. C., July 25, 1827, Houston Council, Houston, Tex., January 31, 1848, and Hudson Council, Hudson, N. Y., May 7, 1824, Niagara Council, Lockport, N. Y., November, 1824, and Lafayette Council, Town of Northeast, N. Y., October 14, 1825.

In 1849, occurred the third schism in the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, in the organization of the OBSERVER FOUR · Vernon Phillips Grand Lodge, and as the leading members of Columbian Council, and necessarily, the Grand Council, were affiliated, or in sympathy with the schismatic Grand Lodge, those of the members who remained loyal to the regular Grand Lodge, felt compelled to sever their connection with the Council, and decided to take measures to retain their identity as Royal and Select Masters. This resulted in the organization of Washington Council, August 15th, and Pennell Council, October 15th, 1853, in the city of New York, under dispensations granted by Francois Turner, M. P. Grand Master of the Grand Council of Connecticut. These two Councils, together with Oriental Council, also in New York City, were granted charters by the Grand Council of Connecticut, at the annual session of that body in 1854. May 27, 1854, these three Councils met in Convention at 643 Broadway, New York City, and organized a Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, for the State of New York, by the election of, "M. J. Drummond, M. P. Grand Master; Samuel C. Schwartz, R. P. Deputy Grand Master; J. B. Yates Sommers, R. P. Grand Ill. Master; A. H. Bartlett, R. P. G. P. Con. of the Works; H. F. L. Bunting, R. P. Grand Capt. of Guard; E. W. Whipple, R. P. Grand Recorder; Philip Pritchard, R. P. Grand Treasurer; D. S. Sinclair, R. P. Grand Steward; Sewall Fisk, R. P. Grand Sentinel."

(*Continued Next Week-*))

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, had 156 voting members out at the stated communication last Wednesday, which shows that the members can be present when matters of especial interest are to come up.

The editor of the OBSERVER took advantage of the large and representative membership present at the communication of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 last Wednesday, to present a proposition for the sending of this paper to the membership as a whole, and was exceedingly gratified that it was accepted without debate or opposition.

We have enlarged our edition so that the 1100 members will receive a copy of the issue of this date and weekly hereafter.

We desire to call the attention of the members to the local columns and to the calendar on the last page; the latter is changed weekly and shows the meetings for the week of every Masonic body in the cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, both stated and special. Cut out this calendar each week and put it in your pocket.

Local items of interest are always acceptable and we will be thankful for all that are sent us. Note office and telephone number on first page. Changes of address should be sent in promptly and should give both former and new address to insure prompt delivery.

The items refering to Minueapolis Lodge No. 19 may be considered official as nothing will be published without approval of the proper officers.

Note change in address of secretary under "Lodge Directory", 7th page and consult him promptly on all official business.

NEW TRANSCONTINENTAL SERVICE.

General Passenger Agent A. M. Cleland of the Northern Pacific Railway today announced important improvements to the passenger service of that line, involving the purchase practically, of ten new trains and the establishment of a service of three transcontinental trains daily in each direction between St. Paul and Minneapolis (with Duluth connections) and the Pacific Northwest. The changes go into effect June 10th. The equipment of the North Coast Limited trains is to be replaced with new cars, the observation cars excepted, and the equipment of all other through trains will undergo improvement. New dining cars of unique design will replace the present dining car equipment on the Limited. Trains Three, westbound, and Four, eastbound, will be operated on an improved schedule and will be given better equipment than is at present operated. Trains Five, westbound, and Six, eastbound, are new transcontinental trains on a new schedule. Trains Seven and Eight will run between eastern terminals and Jamestown, N. D., handling local service, and the service between St. Paul and Minneapolis and Brainerd will be greatly improved by an additional local train. A new and important feature of train Seven will be the addition of a dining car between St. Paul and Fargo.

With reference to the improvements Mr. Cleland said: "The addition of another transcontinental train in each direction is made necessary by the rapid industrial and commercial growth of the Pacific Northwest, the increasing population due to the development of agricultural areas and reclamation work, and the increase of tourist travel and other passenger business naturally resulting. The Pacific Northwest is making rapid strides and interest in this section and travel to it will be great. The new service will meet the demands of a rapidly increasing travel. Thousands will visit the Columbia River Region, the Puget Sound Country, the irrigated districts and Yellowstone Park this year, and the improvements are more necessary because of this fact."

The Masons of Montello, Wis., are completing a new Masonic building.

THE EASTERN STAR.

A Chapter O. E. S. will soon be instituted at Villard, Minn.

Lorraine social club will meet Tuesday, June 12, with Mrs. H. E. Latz, 1319 4th Ave. So.

Miriam Chapter, Hutchinson, Minn., closed the winter season by a banquet to which the gentlemen were especially invited, May 28.

Past Grand Matron Thomas was at Springfield May 25 and assisted in the degree work of the Chapter.

Worthy Grand Matron Yould constituted the Chapter at Lamberton and installed the officers May 24.

Mrs. Anna L. Williams, noted in the O. E. S. of Iowa and South Dakota, died at Mitchell, S. D., May 27.

Crookston, Minn., Chapter recently entertained twenty-five ladies from the Chapter at Grand Forks, N. D.

The Chapter at Oconomowoc, Wis., recently gave an entertainment, the White Minstrels and The Two Aunt Emilys.

Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, O. E. S., will give an Ice Cream social in the Hall, corner Lake and Bloomington, Monday evening, 11th. Games and music will be a feature of the evening. The Chapter will be pleased to welcome all its friends.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 was well represented at the all-day sewing bee at the home of sister Louise Lyon Johnson last Wednesday. Not only was it a delightful social occasion but the result was a large number of useful garments for the Florence Crittenden Home. A generous collection was also taken for the benefit of the home. Sister Augusta Germond, 3043 Nicollet Ave. will entertain the next thimble bee Wednesday afternoon June 13.—Cor.

We have been asked why we do not write it "Entered Apprentice's, Fellow Craft's, Master Mason's degree. Our answer: because we know no such degrees.

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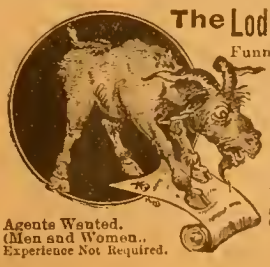
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Henry Deutsch, left for Boston last Tuesday.

Ed. Hodges went fishing last week; ask him about it.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will hold a special Tuesday, 12th., for Entered Apprentice degree.

The OBSERVER is indebted to Alex. Gardner, Jr., for advanced report of Iowa Grand Lodge.

Bro. G. M. Dempsie invites his brethren to meet him Thursday evenings at 316 Nicollet Ave.

Eldred Baker, of Minnesota 224, who has been in San Diego, Cal., during the winter, has returned.

John Busch, Past Master of Alma No. 184, Wisconsin, and a prominent member of the Blue, was a caller June 4.

The Scottish Rite committee having in charge the reception to visitors of the rite during the G. A. R. National encampment, has completed its arrangements.

Summit Chapter, R. A. M., St. Paul, held a special June 5 for work on the Mark, Past Master and Most Excellent Master degrees.

Alex. Gardner, Jr., visited the Iowa Grand Lodge last week and is spending this week with the South Dakota Grand Bodies at Sioux Falls.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will hold a special Wednesday night, 13th, to confer the Entered Apprentice degree. A large attendance is desired.

Plymouth Lodge No. 160, 304, 20th. ave. North, will confer the Master Mason degree tonight, 11th. Visitors always welcome. Work begins at 6:30.

Geo. E. Young, Worshipful Master of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, last year, was highly honored by being elected secretary at a special election last Wednesday night.

Bro. J. T. Frelin, secretary of the Acacia Club, the U. of M. Masonic club, talked very interestingly of his Philippine experiences, at Cataract Lodge last Wednesday night.

Brother H. S. Goff, secretary of Minnehaha Lodge, is always an entertaining speaker and his friends regret that the late hour prevented him speaking extendedly at Cataract's meeting last week.

The Masonic Quartet rendered the musical service for Cataract's work last week and delighted the brethren both during the degree work and at the "board", receiving and responding to several encores.

Excelsior Lodge of Perfection No. 2, held its last meeting before vacation, last Thursday night; the other three bodies of the Scottish Rite will close after their next regular meetings, opening again in October.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, will confer degrees at its stated assembly, Friday night, 15th., every Royal and Select Master will be welcome; lunch will be served; good music will be offered for your entertainment.

The daily papers have recently been asking the question, **"Who is Moreau."** There is no premium offered for a satisfactory answer, but the answer can be found on the 5th page of this paper and will reward your search.

Brother S. B. Purves, Rector of Holy Trinity Church and member of Cataract Lodge,. can entertain the members of the lodge with interesting remarks and tell a good story without lowering the dignity of "the cloth."

Worshipful Master, L. M. Miller, of Lansing, Michigan, temporarily sojourning at St. Paul, is always a welcome visitor to Masonic gatherings in Minneapolis; he has good things to say and says them well. He was at Cataract's big meeting last week.

F. O. Fisk Jeweler, 17 S. Washington ave., member of Minnesota Lodge No. 224, died June 4; his body was taken to Omro, Wisconsin and there given Masonic burial by Omro Lodge No. 168 at request of Minnesota Lodge.

Nicholas A. Miller of Minnesota No. 224, has disposed of his grocery business on Nicollet ave., and has gone to Brockville, Ontario to visit his early home. He expects to engage in wholesale grocery business at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Bro. G. M. Dempsie of No. 224, the Nicollet ave. photographer, was recently the recipient of a five dollar bill enclosed in the following note: "To pay debt of about fourteen yrs. for photographs to owner at that time."

Bro. Dempsie will be grateful for more of the same.

Do not think that you are immune from the fire fiend because the warm season has arrived and your furnace fire is out; because you are now less careful your liability is greater. See Otto E. Greely, whom you all know, for Fire Insurance. See ad. on 5th. page.

Darius Commandery No. 7, K. T., conferred the Red Cross Order on three last Tuesday; the attendance was large. The reporter arrived on the scene just in time to see the last of the ice cream and strawberries disappear and hear Ex-Mayor Haynes say some good things.

We are informed that a man giving the name of H. C. Harding, about 60 years old, 5 feet 7 inches tall, one glass eye, claiming membership in Cedar Lodge No. 11, Tipton Iowa, has obtained relief from certain Lodges in this state, and that he is now probably in Minneapolis or St. Paul. The above Lodge does not know him; he is probably an imposter.

Rev. Chas. F. Sharpe, Prelate of Zion Commandery No. 2, and Mrs. Sharpe, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, Friday night last.

The Observer was not favored with an invitation or notice, but is informed that several of his fraters presented Mrs. Sharpe with a chair and also remembered the Prelate in a substantial manner.

J. M. Moir a member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, residing at 1819 Emerson ave. south, has been sick for some time and would be pleased if his brethren would call. Bro. Moir is peculiarly bereaved just now. Recently, fearing a fatal termination to his illness, two sons were summoned from New York; the younger had met with an accident some years since in which he received severe injuries to his head, causing frequent severe pains; on the way west he had one of these attacks, and on arrival at his father's house scarcely were the greetings over before he was suddenly stricken dead.

Ark Lodge 176 raised one last Thursday night. The work was done by the regular officers; the J. W. and S. D. passing the first lecture; the third was delivered in narrative form by P. M. Harry Moore by aid of the stereopticon. Slang can sometimes be effective as well as expressive, as evidenced by the candidate, when the second demand was made by j-l-m, exclaiming "Not on your life." Past Masters W. G. Wallace, Illinois; H. L. Boomhower, Wayzata, Minn., now members of Ark, Moore and Houghton, of Ark; and W. Masters Miller of Lansing, Mich., Allen of Minnehaha, and McCuskey of Plymouth, and L. M. McWhorter, S. W. of Minnesota, were interested spectators.

Langdon, N. D. Masons were recently entertained by their brethren at Calvin where a lodge has recently been instituted.

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Cataract 2, (Mpls.) 1st Sat., 20-22 Univ. av. S. E. Frank L. Gowen, W. M. W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Av. S. E.

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Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 530; T. C. City Hall 45.

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Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

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Zion Commandery No. 2, Mas. Tem., 6 floor.
Harmony Chap. O. E. S. No. 8 Univ. av SE
Carmel Chapter O. E. S. No. 127 (St. Paul.)
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Osman Temple, N. M. S., (St. Paul.)
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THE FATHER TO HIS FAMILY.

Lines composed and lovingly inscribed to the Masonic Craft of Minneapolis, Minn., on the occasion of his visit July 20th, 1871.

By Rob Morris.

I hail you boys, with swelling heart:
I praise the Hand divine
That leads us now, so long apart,
To meet in Lodge again:
And by his name,—so high and bright,
His word,—so pure and grand,
I greet my Children here tonight,
Wtih Father-heart and hand.

I think of those, now sleeping low,
Who met me here before:*
The Acacia blooms above them now,
They walk the unseen shore:**
I reckon up the hours so fast,
When I too must depart,
And, greet you, Children, for the last,
With Father-hand and heart.

I ponder o'er the promised joys
Reserved for us above:
They kindle up our spirits, boys,
In gratitude and love:
These Emblems speak in accents sure
Of that Celestial land:
I greet you Children, yet once more
With Father-heart and hand.

Dear boys, to you our work belongs;
My hands too old have grown:
And you must sing the good old songs
When Father Rob has gone:
God bless you, make you strong and true,
Lift high the noble art;
I greet you Children, you, and you,
With Father-hand and heart.

*Referring to the occasion of his last visit, January, 1869.

**Referring to Brothers Edgar A. Groff and others recently deceased.

CRYPTIC MASONRY IN NEW YORK

Wor. Bro. W. J. Allen.

(*Crntinued from Last Week.*)

The Grand Officers were installed by M. P. Past Grand Master Asa Child of the Grand Council of Connecticut, who presided over the deliberations of the Convention, and who "proclaimed the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York duly and regularly organized." These Brethren held office until June 19th, when the Grand Council met in annual communication and the following were elected and appointed to hold office for one year:

"M. J. Drummond, M. P. Grand Master; J. B. Yates Sommers, R. P. Deputy Grand Master; John J. Tindale, R. P. Grand Ill. Master; H. F. L. Bunting, R. P. Gr. P. C. of the Works; Philip Pritchard, R. P. Grand Recorder; D. S. Sinclair, R. P. Grand Treasurer; James H. Lane, Grand Captain of the Guard; W. W. Ward, Grand Steward; I. F. G. Andrews, Grand Chaplain; Sewall Fisk, Grand Sentinel."



CHAS. S. SCHURMAN, M. I. G. M.
Grand Council R. & S. M., Minn.

The Columbian Grand Council naturally objected to the invasion of their jurisdiction by the Grand Council of Connecticut, claiming that notwithstanding their affiliation in Grand Lodge matters. theirs was the only legally organized Cryptic body, in fact the first Grand Council organized in any of the States, independent of the Symbolic Grand Lodge, and had been in existence nearly half a century. At the annual meeting of the Columbian Grand Council, June 22, 1854, we find: "Several communications were read from Comps. Fitzgruder and H. Goodwin of Connecticut Grand Council to the Grand Recorder, and his replies thereto, on the subject of the legality of the authority of the Grand Council of Connecticut, or their right to establish subordinate Councils." The protest, however, probably owing to feeling engendered at the organization of the Grand Council of Connecticut, was not heeded.

The first warrant granted by the new Grand Council was to Brooklyn Council, No. 4, August 4, 1854, in the City of Brooklyn, in which James T. Brush was named as Thrice Illustrious Master; Bradley Parker, Right Illustrious Master, and William Bradley, Principal Conductor of the Works, and later, a warrant was granted for **Minnesota Council, No. 5, St. Paul, Minnesota,** and a dispensation for Excelsior Council at Elmira, N. Y., and in 1855, dispensations were granted to Eureka Council, October 10th, Adelphic Council, December 14th, and Genesee Council, December 22nd, followed in due course by warrants. Dissensions, however, soon arose in the new grand body, the first note of which is brought to light in the annual address of the Grand Master, at the annual session of 1856, in which he states: "On the 29th day of October last, having previously received from the R. P. Grand Recorder an official notice that Pennell Council, No. 2, had forfeited their charter," under Article 2, Section 5, of the Constitution then in force, I demanded of the presiding officer of said Council its warrant and properties; which order having been disregarded, I issued an edict on the 8th day of November following, declaring Pennell Council, No. 2, clandestine, and forbidding all intercourse with

said Council, or with any of its members, as such, until the pleasure of this Grand Council should be made known."

The charter of Oriental Council was declared forfeited June 4th, 1858, and that of Washington Council, the last of the original Councils at the formation of the Grand Council, together with **Minnesota Council** which had paid no dues, nor, as the records disclose, had it paid for its charter, August 14th, 1858.

The rival Grand Councils continued with varying success until 1860, when the schism in the symbolic Grand Lodge having been healed, and realizing that brethren should dwell together in unity, the two bodies came together in the Grand Council room, at the corner of Grand and Centre Streets, on the evening of June 6th, of that year, all differences were healed and a union alike honorable to both bodies effected, in which in view of its long and honorable career, Columbian Council was given the place of honor at the head of the roll. This occasion was participated in by representatives of Columbian Council, No. 1, Brooklyn, No. 4, Adelphic, No. 7, Eureka, No. 8, Kane, No. 11, Oneida, No. 12 Central City, No. 13, Bloss, No. 14, Bruce, No. 15, Southern Tier, No. 16, and Buffalo, No. 17; and Companion N. O. Benjamin was elected to preside over the United States Grand Council until the annual assembly should be held. The effect of the union was to impart new life to the rite, and from twelve Councils in the State in 1860, in 1905, it had grown to twenty-seven Councils, with a membership of five thousand, one hundred and fifteen, all enthusiastic in the work.

In March, 1871, Brother Albert G. Goodall, who was prominent in Masonic circles at that time, opened a corespondence with the Rev. George Raymond Portal, of London, England, Grand Master of the Grand Mark Lodge of England, and a prominent Royal Arch Mason of London, which resulted in sending the Grand Lecturer, Jackson H. Chase, to London, and in dispensations being granted for Grand Masters Council, July 31st, and Constantine MacDonald and Mark Councils, August 21st, in the City of London, followed by warrants numbered 57, 58, 59, and 60, granted February 6th, 1872. The Grand Lecturer was asisted in the work of conferring the degrees and organizing the Councils by Albert G. Goodall and Daniel Sickels of New York, Charles H. Thompson of Corning, and J. J. Martin of Albany. These Councils in 1873, organized the "Grand Council of England, Wales and the Colonies and Dependencies of the British Crown, (those in North America excepted)" which now has under its jurisdiction some twenty-four subordinate Councils.

(*Continued Next Week-*))

LIFE MEMBERSHIP.—No life membership shall be granted, "except upon payment of a sum of money named therein, which sum shall, in case the annual dues are $12, be not less than the sum of $150, and the minimum amount to be proportionately greater or less, as the dues are greater or less; and shall further provide that all amounts paid for life membership shall be invested only in such reputable banks of deposit, or in such bonds of the United States, Territory of Arizona, or some city, county, or town thereof, or in such other first-class stocks, bonds, or securities as may be directed by the lodge and approved by the Master, and that only the income thereof shall be used by the lodge, the original amounts to be forever kept and maintained as and for a permanent life membership fund.—Arizona.

In case the annual dues are $12.00, the sum so paid shall not be less than $200.00. The funds so obtained are to be invested, and only the interest used by the lodge.—California.

GRAND MASTER SCHURMAN.

Charles S. Schurman was born in Summerside, Province of Prince Edward Island, Canada, in the year 1857. At the age of thirteen he started to learn the printing business and has followed that calling ever since with but slight intermissions. He came to Minnesota in 1882, and settled in St. Paul. He is now the editor and proprietor of the West St. Paul Times, and has been publishing that paper since 1890. In 1899, 1901 and the special session of 1902 he was a member of the Minnesota House of Represettatives. He was raised in Shekinah Lodge No. 171, in 1890. He served as Junior Deacon, Senior Deacon, Junior and Senior Warden, and was Master in 1900 and 1901. He is now Secretary of the Lodge. He is a member of Minnesota Chapter No. 1 R. A. M., and of St. Paul Council, No. 1 R. and S. M. of which he was T. I. M. for two terms and refused to be reelected. He is also a member of Damascus Commandery No. 1, and is Generalissimo of that Commandery. He is a member of Carmel Lodge of Perfection, No. 1, and St. Paul Chapter Rose Croix, No. 1. In 1904 he served as D. D. G. M. for the 15th District.

Companion Schurman has served the Grand Council Royal and Select Masters, Minnesota, in several appointive and elective offices and in October, 1905, was elected Most Illustrious Grand Master; his administration is proving very successful and promises to show a very large increase in the membership of the rite in this jurisdiction.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

The thirty-second annual communication was opened at Sioux Falls June 12. In his address Grand Master Brookman said: "The harmony and prosperity of our beloved Order has continued unbroken for another year, and we have been moving steadily onward with our Masonic development. We can congratulate ourselves that the progress of our Order redounds to the benefit of humanity. In the structure of modern society no institution stands with higher ideals and nobler purposes than that of Masonry, and this fact is becoming more fully recognized by the world at large than ever before.

Masonry stands for the Divine principles of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, and it is to the benign and enlightening influence of these principles that humanity has reached its present position of power and happiness. Fraternity and cooperation are to be the watch-words of the future, and the beneficent principle of brotherly love exemplified in the Masonic Order is to find a wider application in the years to come in human society than ever before. At the beginning of the twentieth century we are beginning to realize that selfishness and contention are destructive not only to individual character but to social progress, and the great truth for which Masonry stands, the principle of fraternity and brotherhood upon which alone humanity can safely build for future progress that shall be at once stable and enduring, is becoming the corner-stone of both individual and social life."

Of the observance of the bi-centennial of the birth of Benjamin Franklin he said: "I am gratified to report that with very few exceptions the lodges of this jurisdiction made due observance of this important and significant occasion. It is of interest to all members of the Masonic fraternity

to reflect that those who were most prominently identified with the establishment of American institutions and who wrought most potently for our nationality were also most deeply interested in Masonry. And of all the men who stand as important figures in the Revolutionary period of this country, and who contributed most for the establishment of our nation, Benjamin Franklin stands pre-eminent."

Two lodges were constituted, Wilmot at Wilmot and Alpha at Wagner, and five dispensations issued for new lodges, Bonesteel at Bonesteel, Parkston at Parkston, Doland at Doland, Worthing at Worthing and Whitewood at Whitewood. The corner-stone of the Temple at Sioux Falls was laid October 10, and the Temple at Lead dedicated Dec. 21.

Grand Lecturer, Benj. F. Ives, reports having visited sixty-two lodges and holding schools of instruction of from one to four days in each place.

The annual meeting of the Masonic Veteran Association was held on the evening of the 11th., and the Grand Chapter O. E. S. held a social hour.

The new Masonic Temple was dedicated by grand lodge in the evening of the twelfth.

The new temple is one of the finest structures of its kind in the state, in fact there is nothing that approaches it elsewhere in the state except the Consistory temple at Yankton.

From the outside it presents a most imposing view. Sioux Falls granite has been used in the main body of the building and the Sioux Falls black granite from which the corner stone was carved makes a conspicuous piece in the building. In dimensions the temple is 84 feet long, 66 feet wide and 72 feet high.

The temple within is palatial. The first floor is occupied with the Masonic library valued at $60,000, containing between 5,000 and 6,000 volumes. This room is well lighted. It has a terrazzio floor and the ornamentation is in keeping with the purpose to which it has been put. The library is absolutely fire proof and is 48 by 23½ feet in size.

The first floor was designed for grand lodge purposes. To the left of the Tenth street entrance are the offices of the grand secretary. To the right is a suite of reception parlors, to be used as club rooms for the present. The building is finished throughout in oak.

The second floor has the main lodge room 38 by 54 feet in size, with a 19 foot ceiling. On all sides of the main lodge room are ante-rooms to be used for special lodge purposes and for storing the various regalia used by the order.

On the third floor is the auditorium. This snug auditorium has a seating capacity of 1,000 people. It has a substantially constructed balcony which seats at least one-third of the entire number. The auditorium was made for Shrine meetings and also meetings of the Consistory and for any special lodge entertainment requiring more room than afforded by the main lodge quarters. A stage of liberal proportions occupies the north end of the auditorium.

The basement has been reserved for banquets. The rear rooms will be supplied with the kitchen utensils and pantries. The hot water heating apparatus is also in one of the north rooms in the basement.

Access to the upper floors is afforded by the many flights of stairs all constructed contiguous to the south wall.

The temple was built by the Masonic Buidling association, the stockholders in which association are Sioux Falls people. Almost nine months have been taken up with the construction of the temple, the work having begun in September, 1905.

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Wisconsin Grand Lodge held its sixty-second annual June 13 and 14.

The Masonic temple at Spokane, Wash., was dedicated by Grand Lodge June 14

Wadena, Minn., Masons will erect a temple; a committee has been appointed.

West Allis, Wis., has a new lodge formed by members of Milwaukee and Wauwatosa lodges.

Villard, Minn. Masons have renovated and decorated their hall and put it in first class condition.

The corner stone for El Jebel Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Denver, was laid by I. P. Harry Collins, June 9.

Aurora Lodge, Brainerd, raised several candidates June 2, and the Chapter worked the R. A. Degree on the 9th.

Alexandria Masons made an especial occasion of the raising of the pastor of the Congregational church, recently.

Neenah, Wis., Masons entertained their brethren of Oshkosh and Menasha June 4;—yes, the man from Oshkosh had his cork screw.

W. A. Scott, Fargo, N. D., was presented a loving cup by his brethren of the A. & A. S. R. bodies, at a recent meeting; S. J. Hill was elected secretary of the bodies.

By the recent action of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, the third largest Masonic lodge in the world, the **Masonic Observer** will be mailed weekly to every member of the Lodge.

The Montana Masonic Home committee is having much trouble in selecting a site; the bequest bears a condition that the Home shall not be located within three miles of any city.

A dispatch from Chicago last week, announced that a large detachment of Shriners from St. Paul, headed by L. G. Hoffman and J. Harry Lewis, "is leading the camel through the stockyards."

The Masonic Lodge at Watertown, Wis., was recently presented with a set of gavels made from cedar wood from Mount Lebanon, the gift of Bro. Herro who recently returned from Palestine.

We publish on the front page some original verses by ROB MORRIS, which have been preserved and furnished to us by Geo. E. Warner, recorder of Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M.

Nebraska has 234 active lodges with a membership of 15,163, a net increase for the year of 459; deaths for the year, 194. The Home is in a "flourishing and satisfactory condition;" the orphans educational fund amounts to over $40,000.

At the thirty-second conclave, A. A. O. N. M. S. held at Chicago last week, most of the officers were advanced, Henry A. Collins, imperial potentate, retiring. The next conclave is to be held at Los Angeles, Cal., May 7, 1907.

Aurora Lodge No. 100, Brainerd, Minn., conducted the funeral services for John N. Nevers, a member of the several Masonic bodies of that city, and a pioneer resident well known in business circles. An escort was furnished by Ascalon Commandery, K. T.

At the sixth annual session of the South Dakota Masonic Veteran Association, held at Sioux Falls, June 11, the following officers were elected: John L. Turner, President, Charles McDonald, first vice president, Geo. V. Ayres, second vice president, S. Drew, secretary, B. M. Rowley, treasurer, Frank Kunerth, marshal.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, Minnehaha No. 165, Ark No. 176, Arcana No. 187, Minnesota No. 224, and Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, O. E. S., now patronize the **Masonic Observer** to the extent of their whole membership. Our lists are open and we hope to add others.

The proceedings of the forty-first annual conclave, Grand Commandery, are received as we go to press; as only fifty days have passed since the conclave and Grand Recorder Montgomery assumed the duties after the session, quick work has been necessary to accomplish this.

The New England Craftsman for June publishes a "History of the General Grand Chapter" and a "History of the General Grand Council." The Observer's article "Cryptic Masonry in New York," running in the last three issues, is of broader scope as well as covering the same subject.

One made a Mason, duly and truly prepared in heart and understanding, is only put thereby in closer touch and finer adjustment with the moral and intellectual forces of the world; the benefits to be derived will depend entirely upon his own zeal, his industry and his capacity.—Jos E. Morcombe.

GRAND MASTER.

Grand Master Thomas Morris, his intimate friends call him "Tom", is proving very popular and is in great demand. Last Monday he officiated at the laying of the corner stone of a new court house at Fairmount; Tuesday he visited Blue Earth Valley Lodge at Winnebago City; Wednesday, King David at Elmore; Thursday, Good Faith, at Jackson; Friday, Fraternity, at Worthington; Saturday, Prudence, at Windom and Sunday he was the guest of Emmett Browning at Minneapolis.

VERMILLION NO. 2, ELECTS.

The following officers of Vermillion Chapter No. 2, were elected on Friday evening, June 8, and installed by Irving Tood, P. H. P: H. P.—G. A. Emerson, K.—A. M. Hays. S.—W. S. Tuttle. Treasurer.—A. E. Johnson. Secretary.—F. W. Fluch. C. H..—S B. Rude. P. S.—A. A. Scott. R. A. C..—A. M. Adsit. G M 3rd V.—W. J. Wright. G. M. 2nd V.—G. W. Preston. G. M. 1st V.—F. L. Stoudt. Sentinel.—W. S. Walbridge.

MEMBERSHIP OF GRAND LODGES.

New York	139,206
Illinois	74,741
Pennsylvania	67,706
Ohio	61,636
Michigan	51,871
Massachusetts	46,790
Indiana	42,627
Missouri	40,983
Texas	38,270
Iowa	36,789
California	31,619
Kentucky	26,992
Kansas	25,986
Maine	25,307
Georgia	25,289
New Jersey	23,487
Wisconsin	21,251
Minnesota	20,287
Tennessee	19,420
Connecticut	19,346
Alabama	16,667
Arkansas	16,155
Virginia	15,846
Nebraska	14,719
North Carolina	14,578
Mississippi	12,244
Vermont	11,535
Maryland	11,057
Colorado	10,997
West Virginia	10,121
New Hampshire	9,565
Washington	8,997
Louisiana	8,960
South Carolina	7,937
District of Columbia	7,365
Oregon	7,322
Rhode Island	6,428
Indian Territory	6,363
Florida	6,019
Oklahoma	5,976
South Dakota	5,957
North Dakota	5,153
Montana	4,013
Delaware	2,668
Idaho	2,056
Wyoming	1,809
New Mexico	1,484
Utah	1,213
Arizona	1,191
Nevada	1,030
Canada (Ontario)	35,000
Manitoba	4,786
Quebec	4,709
Nova Scotia	4,417
British Columbia	2,859
New Brunswick	2,204
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Senior and Junior Grand Wardens Roberts and Swan were with the Grand Master at Fairmount and Winnebago City last week.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Khurum No. 112, conferred the first last Friday night.

Thomas Cairns of No. 221, Shell Lake, Wis., is a visitor to City Lodges.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, conferred the Mark Master degree last Saturday night.

Weed Munro, of Minneapolis No. 19, the well known attorney, is said to be seriously sick.

Summit Chapter No. 45, R. A. M., conferred the R. A. degrees on several last Wednesday night.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, will confer the Fellow Craft degree at a special Wednesday night, 20th.

Be prompt in notifying the Observer of changes in ddress. Send this paper to your Masonic friends.

Have you paid your annual dues. Do so now that you may not be "dropped from the roll."

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., conferred all the degrees at the state assembly last Friday.

H. B. Glidden of Minneapolis No. 19, has gone on a vacation fishing trip to White City, Leach Lake.

D. B. Thomas, Minneapolis No. 19, of the Central High School, has gone to Wayland, Ohio, for a visit.

Members can save secretaries much annoyance by sending prompt notice of changes in their addresses. Do so now.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree after stated business, Wednesday night, 20th.

Summit Lodge No. 163, will have an excursion over the new Selby-Lake line and picnic at Minnetonka, the last of the month.

C. T. Pohling of Tusler No. 263, residing at Merriam Park, was a caller last Monday; he reports that Lodge in flourishing condition.

Thomas Berry, St. Johns No. 4, Winnipeg, Manitoba, and member of Chapter, Commandery and Shrine, is visiting City Lodges.

Lou N. McWhorter, S. W. of Minnesota No. 224, an instructor in the Central High, has gone to Austin, Minn., where he will spend a portion of the vacation.

John A. Schlener, S. W. of Minneapolis No. 19, J. S. Todd, P. M. of Cataract No. 2, and E. R. Williams, P. M. of Minnehaha No. 167, have gone to New York to attend the national convention of stationers, of which Bro. Schlener is president.

Byron R. Curtis, a member of Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., died at Owego, N. Y., last week. No particulars; he was formerly a member of Ark lodge No. 176.

C. E. Foster, W. M. of Minnesota No. 224, who has been seeking relief from an acute attack of asthma in Kansas and New Mexico, has returned somewhat improved.

Saint Johns R. A. Chapter No. 9, state convocation Tuesday, 19th; a large attendance is desired. It is expected that work on the Mark Master degree will be set for the 21st.

The Masonic Fraternity of Minneapolis should establish an employment bureau; many sojourning brethren can be aided in obtaining suitable work if this is done. THE OBSERVER offers its columns to the employer and the employe.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, called a special and conferred the Red Cross on one in the afternoon, and the Order of the Temple on two in the evening, last Thursday. This body has appointed a committee to consider holding a picnic at an early day.

Fred. H. Gowen, brother of W. M. Frank Gowen of Cataract No. 2, was here last week for a visit; it was his intention to be present at the raising of his nephew in Cataract June 6, but owing to his daughter breaking an arm, he was delayed; he brought the young man a fine liamond set emblematic pin.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, at the stated communication Tuesday, 19th., will confer the Fellow Craft degree; there will also be business matters of importauce to every member and a full attendance is requested; the first degree was conferred on one last Tuesday night by Junior Warden R. B. Hazard, and was well rendered. Brother Dempsie recited some original verses in a manner pleasing to the audience.

Plymouth Lodge No. 160, raised five last Monday night, the work was in charge of the regular officers and was well rendered; there was a large attendance of members and visitors; the city lodges being especially well represented. Cataract having six present. Past Masters Moore of Ark, Pearce of Cataract, Washburn of Khurum and L. M. Miller, W. M. of Grand Rapids, Mich., were in the East. What the Master styled a light luuch, but which consisted of cold meats, bread, radishes, cheese, strawberries, ice cream and coffee, was served to 175 after the work.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Buffalo, Minn., Stars gave a concert June 5 "to dedicate the new piano."

Worthy Grand Matron Yould constituted the Chapter at Mazeppa and installed the officers, June 7.

Stars at Lakota, N. D., were given "a sumptuous banquet" June 5th, by Euclid Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Stillwater, Minn., Stars accepted an invitation to visit their sister Chapter at Hudson, Wis., last Thursday.

Most Worthy Grand Matron Conkling of Oklahoma and Mrs. Angie Williamson most worthy grand Adah, of Madison, S. D., attended the South Dakota Grand Chapter at Sioux Falls, last week.

R. A. CHAPTER ELECTION.

Minnesota chapter No. 1, Saint Paul, elected and installed the following:

High priest, A. M. Bergstrom; king, H. M. Germain; scribe, Lawrence Hope; treasurer, John Mailer; secretary, E. J. Larkin; captain of the host, F. A. Jackson; principal sojourner, Dr. W. Dinwoodie; master third veil, V. E. Boshelle; master second veil, J. B. LaPlant; master first veil, P. J. Martin; chaplain, J. C. Bryant; sentinel, J. J. Buckhout; representatives to the Masonic union, C. H. Kemper, M. T. Emery and George F. Dix.

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ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Ploudke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 5 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., Geo. E. Young, Sec., 530 Temple Court (N. W. M. 2734—L) Res. 3021 Park Ave. (N. W., S. 445 J.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Summit 163.. (St. P.) 2nd and 4th Fri. H. P. Fahnestock, W. M., (N. W. M. 2660; T. C. 375). R. B. Ware, Sec., 1002 Pioneer Press Bldg. (N. W. M. 1407-L; T. C. 447.)

Minnehaha 165. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Tues. 1535 E. Lake st. Thos. W. Allen, W. M., 3110 20th av. S. (N. W. M. 438-J.) H. S. Goff, Sec., 2628 Clinton av.

Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Welsenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

Ark 176. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Nic. and 31st st. C. C. Kramer, W. M., 424 Nicollet. E. C. Noyes, Sec., 603 Gty. Loan. (T. C. 700.) Meetings 8 P. M.

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Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

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Palastine Chapter 112, O. E. S. (Minneapols.) 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Temple, Mrs. Anna S. Morrison, W. M., 2424 Garfield av. S. (T. C. 3111. Mrs. Mary C. Taylor, Sec., 70 N. 15th st. (T. C. 313.)

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Loraine Chap. O. E. S. No. 16, Mas. Tem.
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TUESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
Mizpah 191 (St. P.)
Capital City No. 217, St. Paul.
Minnesota No. 224, Mpls.
Work in F. C. degree.
St. John's Chapter No. 9 (Mpls.).
Summit Chap. 45 (St. P.) Endicott bldg.
Arcana Chap. O. E. S. No. 38, 2221 Cen. N. E.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Work in E. A. degree.
Work in M. M. degree.
De Molai Council, Knights Kadosh (St. P.)
SPECIAL.
Cataract No. 2, 22 University av. S. E.
Work in F. C. degree.

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
Montgomery 258 (St. Paul.)
A. E. Ames Council. (Minneapolis)
SPECIAL.
St. John's Chapter No. 9 R. A. M.
Work in M. M. degree.

FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Khurum No. 112, Mpls.
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DEDICATION AT SPOKANE.

Address at Dedication of Masonic Temple, Spokane, S. J. Chadwick, P. G. M.

"The edifice which we have today dedicated to virtue and universal benevolence, is in itself a page in the history of the state of Washington; it speaks the growth and development of a generation.

"It was only a few years ago—a day in the onward march of time—that the inttrepid trapper and seeker after virgin gold was welcomed to this beautiful valley. There was not heard the sound of ax or hammer or any tool of iron; no sound save the chant of the waterfall and the soft rustle of the pines.

"But time, the great builder, has wrought here, and a city has been reared. The tented lodge of the aborigine and the rude huts of the pioneer have given way to splendid homes, to busy mills and great enterprises that are models of the builder's art.

"Here has come a people, and, as if inspired by the poetry of natural surroundings, they have given themselves to the study of architecture, so that the place has become famous for its homes, and it is today the marvel of the century; for nowhere, in no time within one generation, has any other place become by the force of applied art one of the beauty spots of this old earth of ours.

"This building tells the story of the home; it tells us the story of Masonry. In its chiseled blocks and majestic columns we can read of the struggling efforts of our faithful brothers who first erected an altar of Freemasonry in Spokane.

"The disposition of Jacob to build an altar, to erect an edifice, is irrepressible. Undoubtedly the offerings of a pure and contrite heart was as acceptable under the spreading oaks where the ancient Druids practiced their rites, as it would be if offered in the most splendid temple of modern times, but the unexplained, uncontrollable impulse to adorn the places of spiritiual and moral purification has been limited only by the means and ability of mankind.

"We have always brought the first and best as a peace offering, and we are tonight following the fixed course of humanity. Each people and each race has builded in his own way and according to its own understanding.

"David, the great singer, willed to erect a temple exceeding in glory and magnificence anything the world had ever known, but he was disappointed in his purposes, and the temple he builded was an altatr upon a threshing floor.

"But God promised him a son who possessed such wisdom that there was none like him; neither before him nor after him was there any with a heart so full of understanding, and he gathered the white stones from the quarries, and the fir trees and cedars from th forests of Lebanon, and he built a temple, and it was adorned with silver and with ivory and with the gold of Parviam.

"And over it all he placed Hurum, one skilled in working cedar and gold and brass and iron, and he constructed a temple about which clusters the culmination of a sentiment, the ripened fruit of that heaven-born instinct to erect a place where thanks could be rendered to the great and beneficent author of our being, and where his name could be glorified.

"The traditions surrounding this great work form the basis of our arts and practices, and thus Masons are inspired to build in wisdom, strength and beauty as did Solomon, whom we revere as the first grand master. Masonry is but an expression of a disposition to attest our aims and hopes for the elevation of humanity.

"As speculative Masons, however, we do not delve in the quarries, nor do we cut and hew in the forests; we delve in quarries and work in the forests of humanity.

We recognize the human heart as but a rough ashlar, and as the workman on the temple took the rough stone from the quarry and polished it and adorned and inlaid it with precious jewels and with ivory and gold, so we would take the human soul and chasten and purify it by appealing to the grace of unselfishness, to virtue and universal benevolence.

By an appeal to the inner self, and not to God, we seek to make ourselves what we ought to be.

Out of their abundance the Masons of Spokane have demonstrated their thankfulness, and have builded this offering to the divine impulse.

"And to this great principle we dedicate this temple. Here men may learn the lessons of love; meet upon the level and practice an art as pure in its purposes as any creed ever formulated.

Let us hope that from these chambers, hallowed by the presence of pure hearts, inspired by elevating thoughts and suggstions, the light of charity will shine forth in all its splendor—and forever.

This is a temple of Masonry, which to the initiated means a temple of virtue and benevolence, a place where we add adornment to our own spiritual house by working upon the spiritual nature of others.

"With our brethren of Spokane, therefore, we should approach the altar with exultant pride, and leave the portals of this lodgeroom with a full heart, for we know that as Solomon of old built a house in the honor of the God of Joseph, so they have built a house which we have this day dedicated with solemn ceremony to the uses of the craft. Throughout the world Masonry is building homes and orphanages and temples for the prac-

tice of its rites, and this magnificent pile will today take its place among the great edifices of our country which are devotetd to the good of humanity.

"May our brothers be thrice blessed in their undertatking, and meet as individual brothers that reward which is promised to all who love their fellowmen."

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SOUTH DAKOTA.

At the recent meetings of the Grand Masonic bodies of South Dakotat, oficers were eletced as follows:

Grand Lodge Officers.

The list of oficers elected by the grand lodge for the ensuing year appears helow:

Robert H. McCaughey, grand master; William E. Milligan, deputy grand master; Jno. J. Davenport, senior grand warden; Samuel A. Brown, junior grand warden; John C. Bryan, grand treasurer; George A. Pettigrew, grand secretary; B. F. Ives, grand lecturer; Rev. Edward Ashley, grand chaplain; W. M. Edgerton, grand senior deacon; W. J. Shanard, grand junior deacon; F. A. Buchholtz, grand marshal; Eber Didde, grand senior steward; S. S. Lockhart, grand junior steward; Frank Burroughs, grand sword bearer; H. M. Carroll, grand pursuivant; Frank Kunerth, grand tyler; M. F. Montgomery, grand orator; Samuel A. Brown, committee on corresponding.

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George A .Pettigrew, M. E. G. H. P.; A. C. Biernatzki, deputy grand high priest; John E. Hipple grand king; Harry E. Neeley, grand scribe; B. C. Jacobs, grand treasurer; Louis G. Levoy, grand secretary; John H. Babcock, grand chaplain; Benjamin F. Ives, grand lecturer; D. A. Douglass, grand captatin of the host; J. J. Nissen, grand principal sojourner; J. P. Turner, grand royal arch captain; W. A. Burnham, grand master third veil; H. W. Bartlett, grand master second veil; S. C. Hedger, grand master first veil; F. Kunerth, grand sentinel.

Oficers of Grand Commandery Knights Templar.

Chas. A. Howard, R. E. grand commander; Chas. W. Adams, deputy grand commander; C. O. Bailey, grand generalissimo; Edgar D. Brookman, grand captain general; R. D. Jennings, grand senior warden; John S. Vetter, grand junior warden; John H. Babcock, grand prelate; Martin P. Ohlman, grand treasurer; George A. Pettigrew, grand recorder.

Order of Eastern Star.

W. Grand matron, Mrs. Jessie Harris; w. grand patron, J. C. Knapp; associate grand matron, Mrs. Linnie P. Ketchum; Associate grand patron, W. A. Morris; grand secretary, Mrs. A. M. McCallister; grand treasurer, Mrs. L. Haroldson; grand conductress, Mrs. Wilkie.

Lead was selected as the meeting place of the grand bodies in June, 1907.

CRYPTIC MASONRY IN NEW YORK

Wor. Bro. W. J. Allen.

(*Crntinued from Last Week.*)

The initial step toward the organization of a general Grand Council, was taken at a special meeting of the Grand Council, held at St. John's Hall, January 6th, 1827, when: "On motion Comps. Chapman, Platt, Slade were appointed a committee to examine the records of the Grand Council, for the purpose of ascertaining the number of Warrants granted, to whom, when and under what circumstances, and also to correspond with such Councils, and generally to obtain every information in relation to the state of Masonry under the title of Select and Royal Masters, with a view to form if practicable a general Grand Council of the United States." This project was revived from time to time without any practical result, until June 12th, 1872, when a convention was held in the rooms of Adelphic Council, No. 7, Union Square, New York City, at which were accredited representatives from Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Brunswick, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Wisconsin and Washington, D. C., and unaccredited from Maryland, Ohio and South Carolina. This was followed by conventions June 11th and 12th, 1873, in Adelphic Conncil rooms, New York City; November 30th and December 1st, 1874, at the Masonic Temple, New Orleans, La.; August 20th, 1877, at Masonic Hall, Buffalo, N. Y., and August 23rd, 24th and 25th 1890, at Masonic Hall, Detroit, Mich., when a constitution was adopted and a general Grand Council organized, subject to the endorsement of a majority of the Grand Councils of the United States, by the election of:

Josiah H. Drummond, of Maine, M. P. G. G. M.; George M. Osgoodby, of New York, R. P. G. G. D. M.; George J. Pinckard, of Louisiana, R. P. G. G. P. C. W.; Orestes A. B. Senter, of Ohio, R. P. G. G. Treas.; George W. Cooley, of Minnesota, R. P. G. G. Rec.; Wm. D. Wadsworth, of Alabama, R. P. G. G. C. G.; Charles R. Armstrong, of Georgia, R. P. G. G. C. C.; Edward P. Burnham, of Maine, R. P. G. G. M.; Albert D. McConaughy, of Kansas, P. G. G. S.

Between September 9th, 1880, and Febrnary 17th, 1881, this action was ratified by nine Grand Councils, and the General Grand Council became a finalty.

Considerable friction had been engendered from time to time by repeated efforts on the part of the several Grand Chapters to attach the Cryptic degrees to the Capitular bodies, and after repeated protest on the part of the different Grand Councils, at the organization of the General Grand Council, the matter was discussed and a resolution adopted, endorsing a protest to the General Grand Chapter, by the Grand Council of the State of New York, declaring the Council an independent part of York Rite Masonry, and denouncing all who might receive the Cryptic degrees, except in a recognized Council of Royal and Select Masters as clandestine. The matter was finally adjusted to the satisfaction of all concerned, and the Councils left in possession of the field.

Efforts have at various times been made by the Grand Councils, to have the several Grand Commanderies adopt laws making affiliation with the Cryptic a necessary prerequisite for advancement in the Chivalric degrees, but without success.

Cryptic Masonry, however, despite its early differences and apparent drawbacks, covers a field of usefulness peculiarly its own, in which with its beautiful and instructive ritual it is eminently successful and numbers among its votaries many of the most prominent craftsmen of our country.

El Riad Temple, Sioux Falls, S. D., recently initiated 81 candidates at one session.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Grand matron Yould was at Lakefield, Minn., June 15, to constitute a chapter.

The Stars at Cloquet, Minn., gave a farewell banquet to Mrs. James L. Bennett, June 14.

Cedar Rapids, LaPorte and Reinbeck, Iowa, chapters visited Waterloo No. 128, June 20.

Keystone Chapter No. 18, Boston, has a membership of more than 400; it is the largest in New England.

The Stars at Glencoe, Minn., gave a farewell reception and supper to Dr. and Mrs. Bolles, June 14, at which the former was presented with solid gold, emlematic cuff buttons, and the latter with a star pin set with pearls.

Forty-seven Stillwater Stars participated in doings at Hudson, Wis., June 14. Our reporter does uot state the number of Ministers or Magistrates assisting in the work, or whether it was a real Gretna Green affair.

At the recent South Dakota session of the grand chapter, the retiring grand matron was presented with a silver candelabrum, the grand patron with an umbrella and the grand secretary (re-elected) with a cut glass water pitcher.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, O. E. S., will have a picnic at Minnehaha Falls Park, Saturday afternoon, June 30, leaving the city about 2:30 p. m.; supper will be served at 6:30 p. m.; members of the Order are cordially invited; take lunch baskets with you.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. will hold its next social at the residence of Bro. and Sister Wm. M. Walker, Tonka Bay, Thursday, July 5; a box luncheon will be served; all who go are requested to carry at least one article for the table.

Lorraine Social Club will meet Tuesday, June 26, at the home of Sister A. W. Poarch, 413 Essex St. S. E. Take old interurban car and get off at Union St.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 held one of its most successful thimble bees at the home of sister Augusta Germond. Her parlors were well filled. Large clusters of syringa, peonies and bridal wreath added bits of beauty to the rooms.

Sister Margaret Livingstone, who has started on a trip to Scotland, was present to bid farewell.

The refreshments were most dainty and appetizing.

Sister Houghton will entertain the next thimble bee at her new home, 3129 Clinton Ave., Wednesday, June 27.

Minneapolis Chapter will vote on "calling off" for July and August at its regular meeting Monday evening, June 25.

Worthy Matron, Abbie Eells and her husband S. A. Reed, expect to leave soon for a sojourn at the sea shore during the summer season. Mary E. R. McGuire, Cor.

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MANITOBA.

The 31st annual communication, Grand Lodge of Manitoba, was held at Winipeg, June 13-15. The following were elected and installed:

John McKechnie, grand master; James Scroggie, deputy grand master; Henry J. Pugh grand senior warden; James D. Baine, grand junior warden; Harry Webb, grand treasurer; James A. Ovas, grand secretary (re-elected); A. H. Smith, grand registrar; Rev. J. L. Gordon, grand chaplain; James M. McNaughton, grand senior deacon; James B. Wilkinson, grand junior deacon; John McBride, grand tyler.

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Bluff City Lodge No. 71, Council Bluffs, Iowa, celebrated its 50th anniversary June 19.

The Acacia club at Madison, Wis., has been incorporated by members of the University faculty.

Grand Treasurer, Grand lodge of Wisconsin, reports the collectinon of $4,732.75 for California relief.

Plainview, Minn., Masons recently visited their brethren at Elgin and participated in work and feasting.

South Dakota has three Temples, Mystic Shrine; El Riad, Sioux Falls, Naja at Deadwood and Yelduz at Aberdeen.

The first Bunker Hill monument, costing about $1,000, was erected in 1794 by King Solomon lodge, Charlestown, Mass.

Grand Master George M. Moulton attended the Grand Conclave at Detroit, Mich., June 12, and reviewed the Grand Commandery.

Dr. J. R. Wilson, Minneiska, Minn., Postmaster and prominent Mason, died June 7, and was buried at Rock Falls, Illinois; he was born in Jefferson county, Mo., June 6, 1832.

The Montana committee has at last been able to select a site for the Masonic Home; it will be located in a valley near Helena, on a 400 acre ranch overlooking a lake created by a new dam across the Missouri river.

The gavel used by the grand lodge at Spokane recently, was carved from an Alaskan walrus tusk; carved on one side is a representation of the temple, on the other the word "Spokaue."

At the recent meeting of the Grand Lodge of Washington at Spokane, the representatives were presented with badges, guide books and street car tickets; a grand ball and reception was also given by the Spokane lodges.

Zetland Lodge, Boston, Mass., known as the "kid glove lodge", instituted in 1867, was named for Thomas Dunbar, Earl of Zetland, a former grand master of Freemasons in England. Geo. W. Chester, superintendent of the Masonic Temple, is worshipful master.

Because of the elevation of George A. Pettigrew to the office of Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, R. A. M., South Dakota, Louis G. Levoy, of Webster, welll known in the Masonic world, was elected grand recorder; we congratulate both companions and the Grand Chapter.

South Dakota Masons have elected an aggregation of very strong men to preside over the destinies of the several grand bodies for the ensuing year; the editor of the Observer being personally acquainted with most of them knows whereof he speaks.

Arthur D. Blanchard, the oldest surviving surgeon of the Civil war and the oldest member of Grecian lodge of Masons, Lawrence, died at Melrose, Mass., June 11. He was born in Medford in 1823, graduated from Harvard in 1842 and from Harvard Medical school in 1846.

We are in receipt of the proceedings of the fifty-second annual conclave, Grand Commandery, K. T., Indiana, held May 9, 10, 11, from which we learn that this jurisdiction has 49 chartered commanderies and one under dispensation; there were 511 additions to membership and losses to the number of 234, during the year; the membership being 5,393. Oliver Gard of Frankfort No. 29, Grand Commander, and Calvin W. Prather, of Anderson No. 32, re-elected Frand Recorder.

WISCONSIN GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

At the recent communication at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, the following Grand Lodge Oficers were elected and installed:

Grand Master—Dr. Edward J. Farr, Eau Claire, Deputy grand master—Spencer M. Marsh, Senior grand warden—James E. Durgin, Junior grand warden—Alvin T. Webb, Grand treasurer—John Corscot, Grand secretary—William W. Perry, Grand Lecturer—Jacob Dreher, Grand chaplain—J. Thomas Pryor, Jr., Grand marshal—Robert H. Bartholomew, Senior grand deacon—E. E. Gatchell, Junior grand deacon—Samuel Goodlad, Grand Stewards—Frank Pierce, M. H. Williams, Grand sword bearer—M. L. Hubbard, Grand pursuivant—W. A. Ramsey; Grand tiler—John B. Cromwell.

The new grand master, Dr. Farr, is a physician who has been active in Masonic work for years. He was born Aug. 24, 1832, at Corinth, Orange county, Vt. He is of English descent. Dr. Farr came to Wisconsin in 1857, and since 1869 he has lived in Eau Claire. During the civil war Dr. Farr enlisted in the Thirtieth regiment, Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry, as assistant surgeon. He was appointed surgeon of the prison hospital at Louisville, Ky., where he remained until the end of the war.

The editor of the Observer hes had the pleasure of the acquaintance of Grand Master Farr since he received the orders of Knighthood in Chippewa Commandery No. 8, K. T., at Eau Claire, in November, 1874, and is well pleased to see the genial Doctor thus honored.

Jos. E. Morcombe of Iowa, in concluding his fifth annual report on fraternal correspondence, (June 1906) says:

"His ears are dull who, rising from a task like this, has failed to catch some thrilling echo of the marching music of humanity. Whether consciously or not, our ancient brotherhood is keeping step and pace. Only in phrasings of the melody is there difference; for all men the cadences of progress beat alike.

Slowly the old order passes, giving place to the new. Slowly still, but surely, there is in all the world approach to loftier ideals, greater aspirations, more effective altruistic endeavor. That time is near an end which holds a law transgressed if we but hope to join in mightier labors than our own. The spirit of petty exclu-

siveness and the little barriers of difference between brothers may not long divide the currents of endeavor. We may not stay our hands while the great tide of thought and doing rises; when in all lands the peole are sapping at old frontiers and beating down the limits raised by race and creed and selfishness and caste:

"Star-eyed Truth (greater than man or doing)
Sweeps hurrying on; far off she sees a gleam
Upon a peak. She has cried to man of old
To build the enduring, the Fraternal State—
Cries yet through all the ruins of the world,
Through Karnak, through the stones of Babylon,
And yet on winged feet, a form of fadeless youth,
She goes to meet the coming centuries."

Not alone with small observances will Masonry of the coming time concern itself; but being through the whole world linked in strength, will speak aloud the words of power which old initiates have only dared to whisper through the years. To this the present tends; for this the future waits. Then every brother's heart shall be

"Made friend to all humanity;
The heart of understanding swift to read
In all the beauty of the world
The message of eternal love."

The purposes of the Infinite move in sweep too great for men to comprehend. But now and again we catch a glimpse of a clear marked path up which the multitudes blindly press. Now and again we may trace where the Great Architect has drawn designs, which men, unknowing why, have wrought into form by the slow toil of generations. Is it rash to say that under such guidance our great fraternity had birth, has come to form and strength, and that the same impelling force will urge our labors on to greater, nobler, more resultful things?

"Our corner stone in Truth is laid,
The guardian walls of Honor made,
The roof of Faith is built above,
The fire upon the hearth is Love;
Though rains descend and loud winds call
This happy house shall never fall."

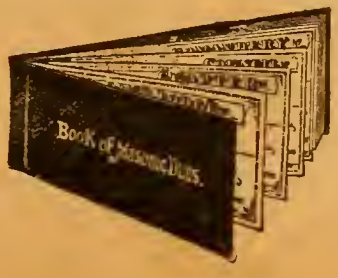
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Alfred S. Tubbs, Wauseon, No. 249, Ohio, was a Library visitor June 19.

Minnesota No. 224, conferred the second degree on one last Tnesday night.

After Thursday, 28th, the Scottish Rite bodies will go into vacation until September 6.

Arcana Lodge No. 187 will confer the Entered Apprentice degree tonight, Monday.

Frank P. Olney, dimited from Appleton No. 137, Minn., was a visitor at No. 224, last Tuesday.

Watch local column of Observer closely for announcements, and send us any items you have.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224 will hold a special Tuesday night, 26th, to confer the Entered Apprentice degree.

Geo. R. Babcock, Lansing No. 33, and P. H. P., was a Michigan visitor at Saint Johns No. 9, last Thursday.

Charles F. Howse, formerly of Birmingham, Eng., member of Kane Lodge No. 55, New Jersey, was a visitor in Minneapolis last week.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., will confer the Past and Most Excellent degrees, Tuesday night, 26th, and the Royal Arch, Friday night, 29th.

C. H. Greene, recently of Eau Claire, Wis., now of Palmyra Chapter No. 55, St. Anthony Park, was a visitor at Saint Johns No. 9, last Thursday.

Fred. L. Nesbit and wife, of Omaha, Neb., are located at 1700 Laurel Ave., he is a member of Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery and Temple, she is a Star.

David Taylor Ivins, Trenton, N. J., of Loyal No. 181; A. & A. S. R., and A. A. O. N. M. S., recently from Alaska and California, was a caller last Wednesday.

St. Anthony Falls R. A. C. No. 3, conferred the Past Master and Most Excellent Master degrees last Saturday night, and will confer the Royal Arch degree Friday, 29th.

Khurum Lodge will not call specials for work during the heated season; as there may be something doing at stated communications it will be well for members to attend regularly.

T. A. Brann, member of Saint Johns R. A. Chapter No. 9, whose family resides in Minneapolis, is in the grain business at Calvin, N. D., and has become a charter member of a new lodge there.

I. Lester McKenna, of Prince of Wales lodge No. 29, Nova Scotia, and Shekina Chapter No. 52, R. A. M., Anoka, Minn., has gone to N. S. for a visit to his old home; will return in August. Bro. McKenna's father is a prominent member of Zetland lodge No. 9, N. S.

Charles S. Harvey of Guttenberg, Iowa, and his sons, Thomas L. of Elkader, Iowa, and Chas. M. of 2200 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis, all members of Prairie la Porte lodge No. 147, Iowa, were callers at the Library June 19; the two first were here to attend the wedding of the last, who was married June 29.

Although the expected candidates failed to attend the last assembly of Minneapolis Council No. 2, there were a number of visitors from St. Paul and elsewhere present, the usual lunch was served, the Minnesota quartette was in good voice, some good speeches were made and everybody went home well repaid for attendance.

Cataract No. 2, held a special last Wednesday night for work on the F. C. degree, with two candidates. Bros. Fournie, Meyst and Houghton were in the E. and W. S. respectively; Bro. Whitcomb, S. D., gave the middle chamber lecture in an effective manner, and the stewards the first lecture likewise. Cataract will confer the Master Mason degree Friday night, July 6.

Alfred Elisha Ames Council No. 2, Knights Kadosh, A. & A. S. R., at the regular meeting last Thursday, elected the following officers: Fred R. Salisbury, Commander; A. B. Darelius, First Lieut.—Commander; H. M. Weston, Second Lieut., Commander; W. C. Allen, Chancellor; G. A. Petri, Orator; Geo. H. Simpson, Almoner; David W. Knowlton. Recorder; John Leslie, Treasurer; A. E. Higbee, C. R. Cooley, David W. Knowlton, Trustees. Officers will be installed Thursday night, 28th, at 7 sharp, before the Consistory meeting.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree at a special, Wednesday night, 27th; light refreshments will be served after the work.

Members of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, are requested to note the change in secretary's office, and address all communications and pay all dues to Geo. E. Young, secretary, 530 Temple Court; telephone, N. W. Main 2724-L. See page 7, Observer, also calendar, changed weekly, 8th page.

In the absence of the W. M. and S. W., Junior Warden Chesher presided over the stated communication of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, last Wednesday in a manner which disclosed that his experience in the South has fitted him for a first class Master when he shall have reached that enviable station. One petition was received for degrees and one for membership, four candidates were elected to receive the degrees. A jewel was voted to Past Master Young and a committee named to procure it. Bro. George E. Young was installed secretary by Past Master Chas. L. Sawyer. Bro. W. C. Allen, on behalf of Bro. Otto E. Naegle, presented the lodge with a centennial, Washington medal struck by Alexandria-Washington Lodge, Va., procured by Bro. Naegle on a recent visit east. The medal was accepted and thanks voted.

IMPERIAL SHRINE OFFICERS.

Imperial potentate, Alvah P. Clayton, St. Joseph, Mo.; imperial depnty potentate, Frank C. Roundy, Chicago; imperial chief rabban, Edward I. Alderman, Marion, Ia.; imperial high priest and prophet, Fred A. Tines, Los Angeles, Cal.; imperial oriental guide, William S. Brown, Pittsburg, Pa.; imperial treasurer, Benjamin W. Rowell, Boston; imperial recorder, J. Frank Treat, Fargo, N. D.; imperial first ceremonial master, Wm. J. Cunningham, Baltimore; imperial second ceremonial master, William W. Irwin, Wheeling, W. Va.; imperial marshal, Jacob T. Barron, Columbia, S. C.; imperial captain of the guard, Frederick A. Smith, Rochester, N. Y.; imperial outer guard, Dr. J. Putnam Stevens, Lewiston, Me.



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ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 5 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

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Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

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Summit 163.. (St. P.) 2nd and 4th Fri. H. P. Fahnestock, W. M., (N. W. M. 2660; T. C. 375). R. B. Ware, Sec., 1002 Pioneer Press Bldg. (N. W. M. 1407-L; T. C. 447.)

Minnehaha 165. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Tues. 1535 E. Lake st. Thos. W. Allen, W. M., 3110 20th av. S. (N. W. M. 438-J.) H. S. Goff, Sec., 2628 Clinton av.

Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 6th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Welsenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

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Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

MIZPAH 191 (So. St. P.) 1st and 3d Tues, G. L. Lytle, W. M., So. St. Paul. J. W. Creath, Sec., So. St. Paul.

CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. Cty Hall. 33).

Albert Pike 237. (Hopkins.) 1st and 3d Wed. Wm. L. Fuedner, W. M. Frank K. Wade, Sec., St. Louis Park car at Hen. and 29th st. or Lake Minnetonka car.

FELLOWSHIP 257—(N. St. P.) 2d and 4th Monday. J. W. Herrick, W. M.; E. E. Stone, Sec.

Montgomery 258 (St. P.). 1st and 3d Wed., Masonic Hall, cor. Payne av. and Wells at. A. W. Bergstrom, W. M., H. H. Blinn, Sec., 710 E. Jessamine at.

Ramsey, U. D. (St. Anthony Park.) 1st and 3rd Friday. I. O. O. F. Hall. Fred Joerns, W. M., E. J. Whitman, Sec.

CHAPTER.

MINNESOTA NO. 1—(St. P.)—1st Tues A. J. Burningham, E. H. P. (N. W. 347); E. J. Larkin, Secy. (N. W. 2340.)

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, (Mpls.) S. E. Geo. P. Sjoblom, H. P., 301 Andrus Bldg., M. 2085, T. C. 392; W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Ave. S. E., M. 1957, T. C. 108.

St. John's Chapter 9. (Mpls. 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. William Tweedie, H. P., H. M. Myers, Sec., 703 Mas. Temple. (T. C. 2657; N. W. M. 703.)

Summit 45. (St. P.) 3rd Tues. Fred C. Listoe, H. P. R. B. Ware, 1002 Pioneer Press. (T. C. 447.)

Ark Chapter 53. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Mon. Mas. Hall, Nic. av. and 31st. J. O. Rosenquist, H. P., L. A. Countryman, Sec., 109 E. 31st. (N. W. M. 332).

Palmyra 55. (St. Paul.) 2nd Tues. Benj. A. Phillips, H. P., Geo. E. Rouse, Sec., St. Anthony Park.

COLUMBIAN CHAPTER 60. (Mpls.) 4th Tues. Mas. Bldg., 304 20th av. N., John Hill, H. P. Geo. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Anchor Chapter 67. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Mas. Hall, 23rd and Central Av. John Suggitt, N. P., J. D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd Ave. N. E.

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Zion 2. (Mpls.) 2nd Tues. Mas. Tem. Henry Hahn, E. C. C. E. Ovenshire, Rec., 71 Highland av. N. W. M. 1484, T. C. 1997.

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THESE BE OUR TREASURES.

Jos. E. Morcombe.

Our renewed survey of Masonry reveals the Craft on the very floodtide of prosperity, high in popular favor, its members increasing beyond all previous records, and its financial condition allowing for great benevolences and the erection of stately temples. Yet let us remember that added opportunities have brought increased responsibilities. It is not enough that we gather into our ranks the honored and the great men of earth; not sufficient that we build magnificent homes for the aged and indigent and boast that our charities have increased a hundred fold—all this without avail.

"If drunk with sight of power, we loose
Wild tongues that have not Thee in awe.
Such boastings as the Gentiles use
Or lesser breeds without the Law—
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!"

Masonry has ever shared in the good and evil of the changing generations. It has felt and responded to the impulses of every age. As in the human brain each impinging thought leaves a stored cell which memory may evoke for future use, so in the general consciousness of the craft there is retained all that the great thought-waves of the centuries have brought. It has received all that the fathers had of noble optimism and high endeavor; all that they wrought for faith and freedom; all that has been gained in the world's senates, wrested from the despots of the nations, or bought with blood on stricken fields. These are our treasures, to be jealously guarded and preserved, that happily nothing may be lost by careless keeping or suffer injury by neglect. For even our most secret truths, and all the lore our symbols teach to him who reads the word aright, is but a trust which sometime the world shall sorely need and shall demand as the very price of our being.

Our ancient fraternity has gathered unheeded truth on every hand and gleaned from the neglected wisdom of the ages that it may make return to the common stock in some hour of supreme need. And then when man, worn with doubts, wearied with vain strivings, and starved with the unsatisfying husks of material things, shall despair of the purposes of the Infinite and the destiny of humanity, the treasure-house that has been kept closed so long to the careless and unthinking shall be opened to enrich all the destitute souls of earth. It shall then support a failing faith and prepare the way for the new evangel yet to be preached, of God's fatherhood and the brotherhood of man.

Then, and not until then, will the higher mission of Masonry be fulfilled. The present task is to so conserve all that has been gained and stored, that there shall be no diminution of treasure. Ours, also, the appointed work to carry on the torch which was lighted at ancient flames, that in the future it may cast a light into the dark places of men's souls.

"From age after age while new light we receive
To rest at God's feet the old glories have gone;
And the accents of genius their echos still weave
With the great human voice, till their thoughts are but one."

Men have covered the earth with arteries of iron and crossed it with tingling nerves of steel. Mightier than the magicians of old, they have called up the elemental spirits of force to do their bidding. Proud of their gains and wealth, hurrying ever to new achievement, they have forgotten the simple faith of the fathers. Because with science-aided eyes they have peered into the starlit vestibule of the Infinite and found no shape or form of God they have denied His being. Engrossed in the present they have thrown doubt upon the future. Ours the work to stay and uphold the outstretched hands of faith, as were those of Moses strengthened at Rephidim, and thus may we aid in bringing spiritual victory to mankind.

In the low-lying valleys where unaspiring souls seek but the lotus-eaters' dream, there comes no broad, inspiring view, while to the dwellers on perhaps more barren hills the early sunlight comes from far-off heights of orient glory. Let it be ours to live upon the heights, where even in the hours of darkness we may catch the glint of coming day.

Abraham Jacobs, who was one of the pioneers in propagating the A. A. S. R. in this country, was initiated and passed in St. Andrews Lodge, Boston, Mass., in 1782, of which at that time Paul Revere of Revolutionary fame was master, and whose autograph appears on the Fellow Craft certificate granted by that Lodge to Bro. Jacobs, dated: "This twenty-second day of July, 1782, and of Masonry, 5782," (now in the collection of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York), and was raised in Lodge No. 1, Charleston, S. C., under the jurisdiction of the Athol Grand Lodge of England. He received the A. A. S. R. degrees up to the Knight of the Sun, at Jamaica, W. I., and the 32d degree from Bro. John G. Tardy, November, 1809. After serving as Master of Forsyth Lodge, located at Augusta, Ga., (1799-1800), he removed to New York in 1803, where he taught school, and during his lesiure hours took an active part in conferring the degrees and organizing bodies of the A. A. S. R. in that city.—Wor. Bro. W. J. Allen.

Palestine Social Club will meet with Mrs. W. M. Walker on Thursday, July 12th, instead of July 5th.

GRAND COMMANDERY NORTH DAKOTA.

The seventeenth annual conclave was held at Fargo, Jan. 30 and 31. Owing to a fire which consumed the proceedings as they were going to press, the delay in issue has been caused. Zion No. 9, DeMolay No. 10 and Wahpeton No. 11, were constituted and a dispensation was granted for Temple commandery, to which a charter was granted at this conclave. Reports of inspecting officers show the commanderies to be in good condition, a feature being the small amount of n. p. d.

Frank J. Thompson, grand recorder, can be depended on for something out of the usual in his reports; he begins this with "The old year spun fast, and when it suddenly stopped all things not dead were dumped into the lap of the new. Some were in order, and some were in confusion. Among the things which it was my privilege to arrange were the annual returns of our subordinate commanderies for 1905. After order was restored, and the facts, like tin soldiers set up in array, I find the following. "Total membership 872, an increase of 46. The triennial committee reported having secured rooms at the Grand Union Hotel, Saratoga, for the 1907 conclave; the grand treasurer reports the sum of $520.00 to the credit of the triennial fund. New Tactics are to be printed and a sufficient number bound in paper or card board "to furnish a copy to each of our sister grand jurisdictions complimentera." (We want a copy for the Masonic Library at Minneapolis.) The next annual conclave will be held in Grand Forks in January, 1907. Harry S. Oliver, Lisbon, Grand Commander, Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Grand Recorder.

Braden Lodge No. 168, held a special last Thursday for the Master Mason degree; there was a large attendance as this was the last work of the lodge before September unless urgent communications be called. Refreshments were served.

INDIANA.

Proceedings of "eighty-fifth meeting," M. W. Grand Lodge, May 22 and 23. Corner stones were laid as follows: Masonic Temple, South Bend; a church at Oaktown; school building, Linden; school building, Farmersburg; Masonic building, New Augusta; Masonic Temple at Muncie; public liberary, Whiting; library at Fowler; refused to lay corner stone of opera house because it was built by a company for gain; to lay corner stone of sunday school on Sunday, and to lay corner stone of church on Sunday. Active lodges, 531; membership, 45,059, net increase 2,432. Contributions to California relief by Lodges, Chapters, Councils and Commanderies, $5,589.50. Recognition of the Grand Lodge of Alberta was postponed; the Grand Lodge of Queensland fared better as it was recognized. The Grand Inspector reports "I believe I am justified in saying that more lodges are now engaged in "squaring the books" and setting adrift "dead timber" than ever before by remitting the dues of those unable to pay and requiring others to "appear and show cause." He reports "the total amount of unpaid delinquent dues, $23,225.15; estimated value of lodge furniture and paraphernalia, $132,080." This grand lodge pays mileage and per diem to representatives. The following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, That German lodges in the grand jurisdiction of Indiana he required to instruct candidates in the English language in the lectures and modes of recognition of each degree." The following was adopted: "All visiting Masons applying for a Committee of Examination must first show to the committee sent out to them for that purpose, a receipt for their dues from their home lodge and under its seal."

Lincoln V. Cravens, Grand Master, Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis, Grand Secretary.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., conferred the Mark Master degree on three and the Past Master and Most Excellent Master degrees on six, at a special last Tuesday night. The Royal Arch degree was conferred on several at a special Friday afternoon and evening; supper was served at six o'clock and light refreshments after the work. The attendance was large at both meetings, owing largely to the OBSERVER, containing notices, reaching so many Masons of the Cities. Many distinguished visitors were present and some excellent addresses were made. The OBSERVER goes to press too early to give particulars. Among the candidates last week were two well known elective grand lodge officers. The Masonic Quartet rendered the musical program Tuesday and the Minnesota Quartet Friday.

The Masonic Quartet was called to Sioux Falls, S. D., last Wednesday, returning Saturday, to sing for the Fireman's state tournament.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter, R. A. M., conferred the Royal Arch degree last Friday, afternoon and evening. Refreshments were served and a large number of members and visitors were present.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, will confer the Master Mason degree, Friday, July 6.

The editor of this paper made a trip to the Kansas oil fields last week.

Rev. Heman F. Parshall, St. Cloud, Minn. of Tyrian R. A. C. No. 6, Faribault, was a visitor at Saint Johns Chapter last week.

E. B. Guthrie of Marshall No. 47, Elyria, Ohio, was a visitor at Saint Johns last week.

Michigan was represented at Saint Johns last week, by Geo. R. Babcock and Lewis M. Miller, both of Lansing, members of Lodges No. 33 and 66, respectively, meeting for the first time here.

MICHIGAN.

Proceedings of Grand Lodge, May 22-23, received, John Rowson, Grand Master, Lou B. Winsor, Reed City, Grand Secretary. In his address of welcome Hon. William Alden Smith said: "The soft, pure air of Masonry does not age its devotee—it only ripens to rotund maturity those who follow its precepts.

To fill the heart with true affection; to move among your fellows with kindly sympathy; to steady the faltering encourage the weak, revive the disconsolate, reanimate with honest vigor the palsied soul stung with adversity and flush with new life the silent citadel of God is the purpose and office of Masonry.

No man so high as to be unwilling to acknowledge its precepts; none so low as to forget its beautiful lessons.

I have seen its insignia blaze with significance upon the breast of the chieftains of every land, and have been the beneficiary of its blessings on the Rhine, the Thames, the Tiber and the Seine, while the whisper of a brother under distant skies has sometimes meant more than the salute of artillery in the morning of victory."

There were 3035 members raised in 1905, affiliate, 749; restored, 124; died, 808; suspended, 353; expelled, 7; withdrawn, 24, a gain of 1924, making the total membership December 31, 1905, 53,795.

A decision of general interest to the lodges here, so near Fort Snelling, is as follows: "Is there any way by which we can receive and act upon petitions for initiation of officers in

the regular army of the United States?" "Yes. When he has become a resident by remaining in the jurisdiction of your lodge twelve months, intending to make that his residence permanently."

THE EASTERN STAR.

Stars of Lake City had their annual picnic in Sugar Loaf Valley June 21.

Stars at Cass Lake initiated four June 15, after which they invited Master Masons in and danced.

The Graceville Stars banqueted Mrs. E. Berry, gave her an umbrella and bade her God speed on leaving that City.

The Grand Chapter, O. E. S., Washington voted to affiliate with the general grand chapter with which it severed relations several years ago.

Montevideo Stars had a "round up" meeting June 15, closing the season with Dutch lunch, the committee being in wooden shoes and costume.

Minnehaha Chapter No. 37 O. E. S., will confer the degrees at its next meeting, July 6. Visitors welcome.

Winslow Chapter No. 182, O. E. S., Thief River Falls, held a special meeting Friday night, June 22, at Masonic Hall. Guests of honor were Carrie B. Macauly, P. W. G. M., Bro. Grow, Carroltown, Ga., Past Matron Easton and Sister Powell of Warren, and Montgomery of Angus. The ladies prepared an excellent repast after the meeting, to which the visiting delegates to the Missionary convention of the Adams Presbytery were invited. Everybody had a delightful time and enjoyed the occasion to the utmost. All seemed to reciprocate the sentiment by Burns,

"Some hae meat and canna eat.
And some would eat that want it;
But we hae meat, and we can eat,
And sae the Lord be thankit."

Out of town delegates present were Mesdames Cameron and Hall, Hallock, Brush, Montgomery, Severens and Clover of Angus and Easton and Powell of Warren.—Flora Mc Niven.

Good will, like a good name, is gained by many actions, and lost by one.

He, who gives to be seen, will seldom relieve a man in the dark.

Think twice before you speak, and you will speak twice the better.

Deal justly—love mercy—walk humbly;—these are prime virtues.

A VETERAN MASON.

Tuesday evening June 19th, Templar Lodge No. 203, of New York city, celebrated the fifty-sixth anniversary of its Institution. A notable feature of the occasion was the presence in the East of the first Master of the Lodge, H. W. Athanasius Colo Veloni, who was also first Eminent Commander of Palestine Commandery No. 18, R. T., and the first Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, and is probably the oldest living 33rd A. A. S. R., having received that degree May 15, 1849, and is now Member Emeritus of the Supreme Council, 33d., N. J. Bro. Colo Veloni is now a member and Chaplain of Aurora Grata Lodge No. 756, of Brooklyn, and despite his ninety-two years of life, is still in the craft and rarely fails to be present at the communications of that Lodge. He was also a charter member of the New York Masonic Veterans, and was active in the organization and a charter member of the Brooklyn Masonic Veterans.—W. J. A.

South Dakota Masons are making search for an autograph letter from the Prince of Wales, now Edward VII, to Grand Master Thomas Brown, 1875.

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Commodore Abraham Whipple and Gen. William Barton, well known to fame, were made Masons in St. John's Lodge, Providence, R. I.

Lodges in Massachusetts are not numbered; the clandestine lodges are numbered, and their members are known as "Wilson Masons."

The well known patriots, George Weeden and Hugh Mercer, were made in Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, Va.; this lodge was chartered July 21, 1758.

Elijah Hall, First Lieut. of the Continental Frigate, Ranger, commanded by John Paul Jones, was initiated in St. Johns No. 1, Portsmouth, N. H., July 4, 1777.

We have received and placed in the Masonic Library, the Aprons worn by Bishop Fowler and "Bishop Fowler's son," at the time they received the Master Mason degree.

We hope our readers will not neglect the extracts from reports of proceedings of grand bodies, published in the Observer. Many matters of general interest are contained therein.

Grand Lodge of Kansas announces the death of Past Grand Master Thomas Emmet Dewey, born in Victor, N. Y., Jan. 6, 1859, died June 9, 1906. A Lawyer at time of death he was reporter of the Supreme Court of Kansas. Initiate, Passed and raised, in 1888; received the Capitular degree in 1896, the Cryptic degrees in 1898; Order of Knighthood, 1897-1898; Scottish Rite in 1898, K. C. C. H., October 1901. Grand Master 1902.

We have received from Bro. Chas. D. Raymer of Spokane, a copy of the program of the grand bodies which met at Spokane June 12-20, also badges worn by the representatives, all of which have been placed in the Masonic Library.

Gen. James Shields, U. S. Senator from Minnesota, Wisconsin and Illinois, leader of the South Carolina troops at Chepultapec, Mexico, and commander of a brigade in the Civil war, was a charter member of Faribault Lodge No. 9, Minnesota.

R. W. Bro. W. J. Allen, Brooklyn, N. Y., member of the committee on Antiquities, Grand Lodge of New York, having charge of the department of medals, badges, jewels and photographs, has our thanks for a copy of the Descriptive Catalogue Antiquities and Curios, issued in 1905, and an Addenda thereto, issued in 1906, which we have placed in the Masonic Library.

The OBSERVER believes that the Masonic Library of Minneapolis is not as well patronized as it should be, or as it would be if the members of the Craft were to consider the opportunities it offers for a better knowledge of the history and work of the fraternity. Hundreds of books and reports, well stocked with useful and enjoyable reading, are within the reach of all Masons who desire to go to the reading room of the library, at the Masonic Temple. A membership ticket, allowing the holder to take books away from the library room to be read elsewhere, can be obtained for the annual fee of $1.00. Next time you are going by the Temple drop in at the OBSERVER office and let us pilot you around the library and show you some of the interesting books.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.

The General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons opened its thirty-third triennial convocation in Boston, June 19. An address of welcome was delivered by Companion Curtis Guild, Governor of Massachusetts, to which responses were made by General G. H. P., Arthur G. Pollard, and others. The General Grand Recorder reported a membership of 264,919 in forty-four Grand Chapters under the jurisdiction of the general grand body. Joseph E. Dyas of Paris, Illinois, was elected G. G. H. P.; Wm. C. Swain, Milwaukee, Wis., D. G. H P.; Nathan Kingsley, Austin, Minn., G. G. K.; Bernard G. Witt, Henderson, Ky., G. G. S.; John M. Carter, Baltimore, Md., G. G.Tr.; Christopher G. Fox, Buffalo, N. Y., G. G. Sec.

General Grand High Priest, Dyas is a lawyer in practice at Paris, Ill.; born in Dublin, Ireland, coming to Chicago in 1856; has served the Grand Lodge of Illinois on important committees for many years.

A MASON SIXTY-SIX YEARS.

"Uncle Sammy" Dinsmore, the oldest Mason in Iowa, died at his home in Fremont recently. He was born in May, 1816, and was past ninety years of age at the date of his death. He became a Mason in 1840, and has always been an ardent follower of Masonic principles. He came to Fremont years ago, and has been a respected and valued citizen during the years of his residence. He has been more or less prominent in Masonic circles in Iowa and is well known in Iowa grand lodge. His death, though not unexpected, causes profound regret. The funeral was held under the auspices of the Fremont lodge and was quite largely attended.

"I'm glad to see you're a Mason," said a Minneapolis man a few weeks ago to a young man who had recently entered his employ. "I'm not a Mason myself, and I haven't any especial friend who is, but I've noticed that men who wear those buttons are nearly always reliable fellows—you can depend on them to do what's right." Spontaneous remarks such as these are not uncommon, but are always refreshing.

If a Brother is unfortunate, and unable to pay his dues, but is still a good Mason, and active in the work, he should not be deprived of any rights; but if, on the other hand, he is able to keep up his dues and does not do so, then the Lodge should take action to suspend him.—Bowser, G. M., B. C.

Antigo, Wis. Masons were recently entertained by their brethren at New London with a steamer ride and third degree work.

Masons of Fairmont and Armstrong, Minn., will picnic at Silver Lake, July 11.

ONE AT A TIME.

All the ceremonies of initiation in the several degrees conferred in the Lodge contemplate the introduction of only one candidate in any of the initiary ceremonies in either degree. This is especially the case in the initiatory ceremony of the first section of the Entered Apprentice degree, when no more than one candidate can be properly admitted and obligated at the same time, and any attempted evasion of the rule cannot be permitted under any circumstances whatever.

The nature of the ceremonies in the second degree do not preclude the introduction of more than one candidate, but the number thus admitted should be limited, and in no case more than can be received and passed without marring the impressiveness of the ceremonies.

The same may be said of the first section of the third degree, but not with the same conditions in regard with what is to follow, and your Committee would recommend that not more than three be admitted to the first section of the Master Mason's degree at the same time, and then only when there is an absolute necessity for receiving more than one in order to advance candidate in due time, and dispose of accumulated work on hand.—Indiana 1904.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Grand Lodge held special communications as follows: Feb. 21, to dedicate Masonic Apartments of Friendship Lodge; March 28, to dedicate Masonic Apartments of Pioneer Lodge; May 15 to assist in celebrating the semicentennial of Paul Revere Lodge; May 16 to assist in celebrating the semi-centennial of Mount Moriah Lodge. The Quarterly communication was held in Masonic Temple, Boston, March 14.

Brother John Clarke having bequeathed certain property to Grand Lodge for a Home, upon examination of the terms the committee recommended the non acceptance of the gift because the conditions and terms imposed by the will make it impracticable to accept the gift; the recommendation was adopted. Nine members of lodges under this jurisdiction petitioned for a dispensation to form a lodge near the town of Ancon, Canal Zone, to be called Isthmus Lodge; the petition was referred.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Ark Lodge No. 176 will confer the Entered Apprentice degree, Tuesday night, July 3.

J. R. Towne, of Palestine No. 79, Duluth, has engaged in business in Minneapolis.

H. S. Chadwick, Ark No. 176, formerly of Stoddard, Wis., is now located at La Crosse, Wis., in employ of La Crosse Wool and Fur Co.

The Masonic Temple committee of St. Paul has sufficient funds in sight to complete the new Temple; date for breaking ground is not decided.

A special election to fill the vacancy in the office of secretary of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine, will be held at the next stated meeting, Friday, July 27. David W. Knowlton has been appointed to act temporarily and will send notices to members in due time.

Instead of calling a special on the eve of July 4th, Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, will work the fellow craft degree on three candidates at their next stated communication, July 10. Brethren kindly take notice. A large attendance gives encouragement to the officers and workers.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 held a special last Wednesday evening, June 27th, for work in the first degree. A class of six was present to receive the degree. Bro. A. M. Chesber, J. W., presided and conferred the degree in a very creditable manner. The whole work of the evening was fully up to the high standard of that Lodge. Refreshments were served after the work, plates for fifty-six being spread; cigars were passed and a number of toasts given. The old time spirit of goodfellowship and brotherly love prevailed, just as it should on all first degree work especially, when the first and lasting impressions are being made on the candidates. Minneapolis 19 is to be congratulated.

Darius, Zion and Minneapolis Mounted Commanderies Knights Templar are perfecting their plans for the annual Templar picnic. Committees from all three Commanderies have met in joint session, and announce that the date has been decided upon and that plans for the outing are under way and will probably be announced in these columns next week. Tuesday, August 7, will be the picnic day. All Master Masons in good standing are invited to attend and bring their families and friends, and are promised the same royal good time which has been experienced at former occasions of this kind.

SCOTTISH RITE.

The committee having in charge the reception of Scottish Rite visitors during the National encampment of the G. A. R., will hold a reception at the Scottish Rite Hall, Fourth floor of the Masonic Temple, Tuesday, August 14, from 3 to 10 p. m. An orchestra and vocalists will furnish music, badges will be destributed and refreshments will be served.

In addition to the elective officers of Alfred Elisha Ames Council No. 2, Knights Kadosh, published last week, the following have been appointed and all were installed last Thursday night: L. M. Rheem, Marshall of Ceremonies, J. T. Thurman, Turcopilier, H. F. Fankhauser, Draper, Harry Moore, First Deacon, C. A. Erdmann, Second Deacon, Stewart Gamble, Bearer of Beauseant, Geo. W. Meyer, Bearer of second standard, A. L. Hazer, Bearer of third standard, C. E. Foster, Lieut. of guard, E. J. Hodges, sentinel.



BYRON H. TIMBERLAKE.
A well-known East Side Mason.

All the bodies have gone into vacation until September 6.

ST. JOHNS DAY, JUNE 24.

Was celebrated by the following Minnesota Lodges: Sunset No. 109, Montevideo, attended Congregational church in a body; Buffalo, attended Methodist church; Little Falls, attended the Episcopal church in a body; there may have been others. Bathgate, N. D., public services in city hall; Sioux Falls, S. D., both lodges united in services at the Congregational church.

J. A. and Uriah Short of St. Johns Lodge No. 4, Winipeg, Man., were callers at the Masonic Library June 23; these gentlemen are making a trip to Tennessee and expect to return in August.

GENERAL GRAND COUNCIL.

The general grand Council held its ninth triennial assembly at Boston June 18, Andrew P. Swanstrom of Saint Paul, Minn., General Grand Master, presiding. One hundred and fifteen members were present, the largest representation in the history of the body, all constituent jurisdictions except Alabama, being represented. Membership, 45,746, a net increase of 7,942. Dues were changed from fifty cents for each subordinate council, to two cents per capita. Henry C. Larrabee, Baltimore, Md., was elected G. G. M., Henry W. Mordhurst, Ft. Wayne, Ind., re-elected G. G. Recorder. The general grand master is seventy-seven years old, a native of Baltimore, a thirty-third degree Mason of the Southern Jurisdiction.

It may be laid down as a safe general proposition, that every person admitted should reach the standard of average physical and mental manhood. One absolutely illiterate is a defective in greater degree than another deficient in his proper bodily members.—Jos. E. Morcombe.

The Masonic Temple at Burlington, Vt., has been listed for taxation, the valuation fixed at $85,000; the grand lodge will appeal from this action.

Black River Falls, Wis., Lodge No. 74, celebrated its 50th. anniversary June 20.

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THE BUILDER TRUE.

Lawrence N. Greenleaf.

The builder true is he who seeks the universal good,
To whom life's purpose and its goal is human brotherhood.
The helping hand, the loving heart, the faith 'tis God doth plan,
These are the tools wherewith to build earth's paradise for man.
So slow the work, 'tis scarce perceived, as nations wax and wane,
While man still fights his brother man and hate holds wide domain.
We oft lose heart and sadly say, these evils needs must be,
What hope is there for brotherhood with frail humanity.
Forgetful, ah! forgetful we, amid our doubts and fears,
How in God's mighty universe e'en time as naught appears.
Ten million years a ray of light is speeding on its way,
A thousand years in His calm sight are but as yesterday.
O thought sublime which soars beyond the bounds of time or space,
Hushed are our dark forebodings of a retrograding race.
With hope refreshed, with mind elate, with broader vision see
The long, long way which marks the course of human destiny.
What broods of passion and of hate have met with overthrow,
What horrors have been left behind, what centuries of woe,
What forces of stern nature curbed, subjective to man's will,
What stores of wisdom have accrued, what handicrafts, what skill.
But grander than achievements all in learning, science, art,
The glories of self-sacrifice, the promptings of the heart.
'Tis these through all the ages past reflect the light divine.
The conquests of the world forgot, love's deeds still brighter shine.

Ye shades that beckon from the past, Ye prophets, dreamers, all,
When shall the world awaken and make answer to your call;
When shall its wars and tumults cease, its agony and pain;
The race be one in sympathy and strife no longer reign.
We know not through what cycles vast man still must urge his way.
Each nearer brings the final goal, and life's triumphant day.
Hope's starry cluster may be hid, but it will never set,
Until it shines on Brotherhood, for love shall conquer yet.
Then cry ye "Grace be unto it!" for lo! it is sublime.
The work that ever busieth the builders of all time.

A GOOD MASON A GOOD CITIZEN.

E. N. Thomas, Miss.

The Grand Lodge of Mississippi is today engaged in laying the cornerstone of this new court house. The building should be, when erected, a temple of justice; a building in which the rights between individuals are justly and equitably adjusted, and the laws of the state observed and enforced as between the commonwealth and the violaters of the law. I am constrained, by this reflection, to suggest that the one thing essential to the best type of good citizenship is a strict observance and enforcement of the law of the land.

Every good, thoughtful citizen cannot fail to regretfully observe the laxity in observance and enforcement of the law, because it is the law; and it is because I do believe that such a condition of public sentiment is most hurtful to the state that I am constrained to make these suggestions today. I know this condition is, in a large measure, the fruit of the seed which we did not sow, and the sowing of which we could not prevent. I know that cruel necessity, the preservation of Anglo-Saxon manhood and Anglo-Saxon womanhood and Anglo-Saxon intuitions and civilization compelled us, after the enfranchisement of the negro, to ignore the law and to resort to revolutionary methods, and I know that the inevitable effect of this fruit, which we had to gather, was a disregard of the law, and we are now reaping what others sowed; but, happily, these conditions have changed, and we should now endeavor to get rid of this harvest. This can be done only by a strict observance and enforcement of the law.

To be indeed and in fact a good citizen, one must observe all law, and one must observe it not because the law suits him, not because the law is convenient, not because he regards is as a wise and just law, but because it is the law; and, for the same reasons, the courts should compel those citizens who will not voluntarily observe the law to observe it. If a bad law is enforced the Legislature will thus discover the necessity for its repeal, and such law will be repealed. The best means by which the injurious effect of bad law can be obviated is by the enforcement of such law. It is only by such enforcement that the people can discover the ill effect of bad laws. No matter how earnest, efficient, faithful and energetic the Judge may be, and no matter how capable, faithful and active those officers intrnsted with him in the enforcement of the law, may be, the courts will be powerless, unless the individual citizen has enough patriotism to discharge the ordinary duties of citizenship—such as serving on juries and testifying against violators of the law.

I do not believe that any man can successfully contend that he is a good citizen who is unwilling to abandon his business long enough once every two years to take his place on the jury and thus assist in the enforcement of the law. If we could be convinced that patriotism, love of country, pride in the state, and unselfish consideration for the happiness and comfort of one's neighbors are motives to which we could not now appeal, we would still declare that, from a most selfish point of view, every citizen should be willing and ready to take his place on the jury. Selfishness itself must insist on a proper enforcement of individual and property rights. No man can give his time and thought to any investment

that makes better returns than good government, and good government cannot be had in a government of the people and by the people unless the people observe and enforce the law. I am, however, not willing to admit that the spirit of patriotism has departed from Mississippi. I believe that there still lingers some of the spirit of our ancestors; that some of the ideals of the old South are still left with us that something of its pathos, its patriotism and nobility still lingers about us; that its tenets of the long ago have not entirely been dethroned by lawlessness, greed, avarice and corruption, and today I appeal to the spirit of the fathers, I bid you come back to old ideals; let's determine that law and order and even handed justice shall be the rule and guide of our conduct; and that lawlessness, corruption and graft shall be retired.

I do most earnestly believe that the South has yet a national work to do; that there is a place it must fill in our national life, and that that place is this; on it, and on it only, may devolve the duty of saving the nation from the disastrous effect of centralized wealth, and of corporate greed, avarice and corruption; but, to do this, she must keep her own skirts clean, she must not forget the lessons of the fathers, she must place honesty above policy, truth above falsehood, courage above cowardice, integrity above graft, and we must insist that in government, the law, and the law only, shall be the master, and we must insist that it shall be enforced with even handed justice between the rich and the poor, the high and the low, the strong and the weak.

I believe, further, that a watchful and energetic exercise of patriotism is just as essential in times of peace, as in times of war; and I do not think that the little Jap, who heroically sacrifices his ilfe for love of country on the bloody battlefield of Manchuria, displays more effective heroism than the citizen who stands up earnestly to demand a strict observance and enforcement of the law, and to combat all kinds of lawlessness. And now, my brethren, this appeal should come with unusual force to us as Masons. Among the useful lessons impressed on us in a Masonic lodge there is none on which more emphasis is laid than of good citizenship. No man can be a good Mason unless he is a good citizen.

A Subscriber? If not, why?

OUR RESPONSIBILITIES.

Robert H. Cage, G. M. Louisiana.

To my mind it appears that our responsibilities are greater than, perhaps, they have ever been in the history of the Craft.

While we greatly rejoice in the rapid advances made in civilization, realizing that humanity has been benefited and uplifted as never before by religion, education, scientific discoveries, and the many blessings that we now enjoy, yet to the earnest thinker who looks beneath the surface, and does not shut his eyes to true conditions as they exist, he finds grave and mighty problems to be solved, and asks himself if this higher civilization which we boast of will prove a blessing or a curse to humanity. Who, my brethren, are better fitted to assist in the solution of these problems that confront us than the true and earnest Mason? who from the time he first trod the "checkered floor" until he received the full fruition of Masonic light, is taught that his first duty is to "God, his neighbor and himself." Foremost among the problems that require a speedy solution, if we hope to realize the blessings of our higher civilization, are Materialism, worship of Mammon and Injustice.

We cannot but look with deep forebodings at the spirit of materialism that is drawing mankind farther away from the plain teachings as handed down to us in that "Great Light" of Masonry, the Holy Bible, which is given as the "rule and guide of our faith." It is not confined to any particular class; its terrible influence is affecting all kinds and conditions, and it is endeavoring to prove, by a false philosophy, that to" love God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and thy neighbor as thyself," is but a jumble of words without meaning, and an impossibility. Such teachings strike at the very foundation of all moral and civic righteousness, and if allowed to be engrafted on our civilization will surely undermine and destroy it. This spirit of materialism is fostered and developed to a great extent by man's mad desire for wealth, "the worship of Mammon," which is debasing his higher and nobler instincts, causing him to forget those sacred duties that he owes to God and his fellowman, and degrading the image of his Creator. These evils find their consummation in injustice, which is, without doubt, the greatest blot on our present civilization. This spirit of injustice is pervading and dominating the entire world to-day, and, unless soon supplanted by justice, will turn back the hands of time, and our civilization will become a thing of the past. To the faithful Mason justice has a deep and sacred significance, and appeals to him as the greatest of the cardinal virtues. To us, therefore, as Masons, it becomes an imperative duty to carry out its God-given principles in our actions toward our fellow-men, recognizing in them brothers, the children of one Great Omnipotent Father, exemplifying in our own life the "golden rule," being careful not to transgress the natural rights of others, giving every one an equal opportunity to earn a living by having free access to the bounties of nature, the free gift of the Creator to all of his children, and by so doing and so living, hold fast to the tenets of Masonry, making this a better and a happier world, and merit the honored name of Mason.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Grand Lodge at its seventeenth annual communication held at Fargo recently, elected and installed the following officers: Grant S. Hager, Grand Master; John Reissbeck, D. G. M.; Sylvester J. Hill, S. G. W.; Halfdan Bendeke, G. J. W.; Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Grand Secretary; C. J. Lord, G. Treas.; L. G. Moulton, G. Chap.; W. L. Stockwell, G. O.; Clarence A. Hale, G. Auditor and Lecturer; J. J. Hull, G. S. D.; R. Morrison, G. J. D.; W. E. Hoover, G. S. S.; J. L. Green, G. J. S.; W. L. Williamson, G. Mar.; F. A. Cousins, G. Sd. Br.; E. A. Crokat, G. Pur.; Thos. Sims, G. T.; the next annual will be held at Grand Forks.

The following were elected and installed as officers of the Grand Chapter, R. A. M.: Chas W. Greene, G. H. P.; John Reissbeck, D. G. H. P.; Frank H. Sprague, G. K.; A. B. Taylor, G. S.; Alex. C. Mather, G. Treas.; Frank J. Thompson, G. Sec.; W. L. Williamson, G. C. H.; A. Bartlett, G. P. S.; C. E. Hale, G. R. A. C.

The O. E. S. Grand Chapter elected and installed the following: Mattie S. Ehrman, Grand Matron; John T. Freeman, Grand Patron; Tillie McGruer, A. G. M.; C. A. Gram, A. G. P.; Florence M. Hoskins, G. Sec.; Elizabeth Welch, G. Treas.

Lady Washington Chapter, of Jamestown, presented the play, "Pilgrims," at the invitation of Grand Chapter.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. will hold its next social at the residence of Bro. and Sister Wm. M. Walker, Tonka Bay, Wednesday, July 11, instead of date heretofore announced; a box luncheon will be served; all who go are requested to carry at least one article for the table.

The St. Paul News says of R. F. Mason, who recently married a daughter of Chief Justice Fuller, "he may be loyal to his lodge, but he's no longer a free Mason."

Mrs. Alice D. Keiler, Conductress of Crookston Chapter, O. E. S., is in Minneapolis, and is being entertained by Mrs. Annie M. Keiler and Mrs. Daniel Douglas.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, held another one of its successful thimble bees at the home of sister Houghton Wed. afternoon June 27. The friends remained till evening then were reinforced by others and together made up a party of 30 members, for Hopkins.

Ida McKinley Chapter proved most cordial hostesses and made the evening one of delightful pleasure for all. After the routine business a program was rendered. Worthy Matron, Abbie Eells Reed, presented to the Worthy Matron, Minnie Truman of Ida McKinly Chapter an armful of beautiful flowers. Speeches were made by many of the visitors as well as Hopkins Chapter people. Dainty refreshments were served in the banquet room. At 10:29 the party returned, all happy and feeling well repaid for the delightful trip. Sister A Elizabeth Hummel, 3103 Penn Ave. North, will entertain the next thimble bee in the form of an all-day basket picnic on the lawn under the trees if the weather permits. This will be July 11th.

Minneapolis Chapter "called off" at its last meeting during July and August. Worthy Matron, her husband and daughter left Sat. eve. for the seashore. The hearty good wishes of all the Chapter go with them.—Cor.

(Received too late for last week).

DEATH OF MRS. L. S. GALE.

Mrs. Louise S. Gale died this morning at the home of her son in Minneapolis. Mrs. Gale was born near Newberg, N. Y. She was one of the early settlers in Faribault and taught school here for many years. She was a member of Athens Chapter No. 82 Order of the Eastern Star of this city and when the chapter was first organized was its first worthy matron. About five years ago she moved to Minneapolis where she has since resided. Mrs. Gale has not been able to leave the house for a number of months. Last Thursday she received a stroke of paralysis caused by the bursting of a blood vessel at the base of the brain, which resulted in her death this morning. The funeral will take place from the residence No. 1004½ Nicollet avenue Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Gale is survived by a brother, Rev. S. G. Gale of California, and by two sons, Chas. H. and Wm. P., with whom she was residing at the time of her death. —Journal, Faribault, Minn., June 30.

Deceased was the mother of Chas. H. Gale of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, and Saint Johns Chapter and Minneapolis Council; she was buried at Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis. Twenty-five members of Athens Chapter attended the funeral.

O. .E S. PICNIC.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, O. E. S., at its last regular meeting, decided to have a picnic at Wildwood Tuesday July 10th; leave Minneapolis at nine o'clock so as to connect with the Wildwood car leaving 7th and Wabasha St. St. Paul at 10 o'clock. Lorraine Chapter and Lorraine Social club will be pleased to have all members of the order and their friends go with them, each taking a lunch. Wildwood is a pretty summer resort and Lorraine is in hopes that a large crowd will go to this picnic.—M. E. T. Cor.

A NEW STAR.

A Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star was recently instituted at Groton, South Dakota.

A local newspaper styles it "the feminine division of the Masonic Order." The Masonic institution has no divisions, feminine or otherwise. The O. E. S. is frequently styled an auxiliary Masonic body, and to the extent that it gives aid and support to the charitable work of that institution, it becomes such, and that it does so in a large measure will not be denied.

The officers of the new Star are: Mrs. O. F. Edwards, W. M.; Mrs. W. A. Burnham, Asst, W. M.; James D. Reeves, W. P.; J. C. B. Eddins, Sec.; Mrs. J. D. Reeves, Treas.; Mrs. C. H. Sheldon, Con.; Mrs. F. W. Atkin, Asst. Con.; Mrs. O. E. Camburn, Adah; Mrs. J. C. B. Eddins, Ruth; Mrs. G. Washnok, Esther; Mrs. F. C. Robinson, Martha; Mrs. W. C. Funk, Electa. The editor of the Observer is especially interested in all that pertains to Masonry in Groton for the reason that he assisted in forming the Masonic Lodge in that town in Territorial days, was the first W. M. thereof and retains membership therein. The town now has a Lodge and a Chapter of R. A. M. The Lodge is notable in that it has furnished a Grand Master, a Grand Chaplain and at least three Grand Representatives, to the Grand Lodge, and several of its members have ranked high in the political afairs of the state; the present state treasurer, C. B. Collins, being a past W. M., and the W. P. of the Chapter, O. E. S., having recently retired from a term of four years as state auditor. The assistant W. M., is the wife of a Past Master of the Lodge, Col. W. A. Burnham, an ex. state senator, now a member of the Grand Chapter, R. A. M. The Conductress of the Chapter is either the widow or daughter-in-law of ex-Governor Charles H. Sheldon. And this reminds us to ask why the women do not use the names which were bestowed upon them in infancy, when assuming official stations; is it because they wish to remain 'auxiliary' to husbands as well as to Masonry? The W. M. of the new Chapter is well known as a worker in church and charitable circles; the treasurer is an ex-school teacher, as is also Adah; Electa is the wife of the Lodge secretary. As the officers, and doubtless the entire membership of the Chapter, are composed of the best people of the town, we predict a prosperous future for this new Star.

ORDER OF AMARANTH.

Mistletoe Court No. 1, O. of A., will have a card party at its Hall, sixth floor Masonic Temple. 2:30 p. m., Thursday, July 12, to which all members are cordially invited. Officers are requested to be present at 5 o'clock, sharp, for rehersal. A picnic supper will be served at 6:30.—Mrs. Nettie Merriam, R. M.

RECENT SHRINE LEGISLATION.

A noble can hold active membership in but one Temple; a noble must retain his active membership in a Commandery or Consistory to retain his Membership in his Temple. Voluntary non-affiliation in Commandery or Consistory for SIX MONTHS shall deprive a Noble of the Mystic Shrine of the membership in his Temple.

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Masons at Egan, S. D., will erect a two story building for a store and lodge hall.

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The Grand Lodge of Washington will celebrate its 50th anniversary by appropriate ceremonies in 1907.

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Grand Master Morris visited Norman No. 154, at Ada, June 27. Five candidates received the M. M. degree.

His Royal Highness, Prince Arthur William Patrick Albert, Duke of Connaught, is Grand Master, Grand Lodge of England.

Billings, Montana, Masonic Temple association has purchased a site for $16,000, and will erect a temple to cost $65,000.

A committee of the Grand Lodge of Washington will prepare a special funeral service to be used when the body is cremated.

Bottineau, N. D. Masons, propose to emulate their ancient brethren by holding a ceremonial meeting out of doors; they have issued invitations to adjoining lodges to meet with them at Lake Metigoshe, where they will camp. They propose conferring the degrees on one of the islands in the lake.

Masons and members of the Eastern Star joined in a reception and banquet to Grand Master Farr, at Eau Claire, Wis., June 28.

Appleton Lodge No. 137, observed the anniversary of the birth of the patron saint of Minnesota Lodges, by attending services at the Episcopal church. The Chapter of the O. E. S. paticipated.

The Central Wisconsin Masonic Picnic Association held its fourth annual meeting at Marshfield June 26. A picnic dinner and supper was served in Union Park, and a program of music and addresses was rendered; 400 visitors were in attendance.

Sir Knight A. C. Rogers entertained Faribault Commandery, K. T., June 27th. at Cannon Lake; seventy-six Knights and ladies participated. The Commandery accepted an invitation from Sir Knight Donald Grant to hold its next annual picnic at Scottish Heights, French Lake.

At the 34th. annual assembly of the Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine, held at Chicago, June 14, George W. Buck, Duluth, was elected Grand Soverign, George W. Warvelle, Chicago, Recorder, Henry Van Brunt, Duluth, Sentinel. The next annual assembly will be held at Duluth, second Tuesday in August, 1907.

De Molai Council Knights Kadosh, No. 1, A. & A. S. R., St. Paul, elected and installed officers for three years, June 27, as follows: Eugene W. McCord, Com.; Fred. J. Bielenberg. 1st. Sub. Com.; Emil H. Koerner, 2d. Sub. Com.; Henry F. Stock, Chancellor; J. Trent Christison, Orator; William J. Godfrey, Almoner; George Herbert, Recorder; Dennis S. Sperry, Treas.

"The Beginnings of Freemasonry in North Carolina and Tennessee," is the title of a pamphlet of 86 pages just published by Marshall DeLancey Haywood, historian of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. It contains the names of the six principal grand officers of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina from 1787 to 1906. The book is of historical interest to Masonic students and should be in the hands of every member of Masonic bodies in the two states. Price, $1.00.

FLORIDA.

Grand Commandery met in twelfth annual conclave at Jacksonville, May 10, R. E. Sir James Carnell presiding. Minnesota's representative, Elmer E. Haskell, was present.

Grand Commander welcomed the Fraters as part of "that Great army of one hundred and fifty-five thousand, and more, Knights Templar in the United States.

"A glorious company, the flower of men,
To serve as models for the mighty world,
I make them lay their hands in mine, and swear
To break the heathen, and uphold the Christ,
To ride abroad, redressing human wrongs.
To speak no slanders, no, nor listen to it,
To lead sweet lives in present charity."

The Grand Commander having discovered that Grand Commandery had never received a charter from Grand Encampment, asked for and received a charter; this case is similar to that of New Jersey, reported in these columns some months ago. Baron commandery No. 3, Key West, having been dormant since 1891, was revived, with nine of the eleven surviving members present and fourteen petitioners upon whom the orders were conferred.

In his "conclusion" Grand Master said: "We have much to dread, I fear, from the indiscriminate admission of those who are popularly styled "good fellows." Eleven commanderies reported a membership of 726, a net gain of 105. Irving E. Webster, G. C., Wilber P. Webster, Grand Recorder.

To one who has learned ought beyond its words Masonry attracts by its history, charms with its philosophy, and by the very power of thought it holds together purehearted, clean-handed men in ceaseless service for their fellows. The Fraternity is now, and will continue to be, an active force in the world. Its power for good will increase as we learn more fully to use its organized influence. Even now among the nations, all unsuspected, it is substituting the evangel of peace for the ancient and ruthless law of strife and bitterness; teaching ever the great lesson of common brotherhood, in which there is "neither border nor breed nor birth;" seeking in all

things to bring nearer the reign of righteousness on earth.

For these great purposes—

"Work, brother mine, with hand and brain,
To win the golden age again;
Till Love's millennial morn shall rise
In happy hearts and blessed eyes,
And all the world may know that we
Are Knights in God's own chivalry.
—Jos. E. Morcombe.

One of the first brothers with whom I became acquainted after my initiation,—observed a Connecticut Mason,—was an old gentleman of 60, who instructed me in the lectures of the Blue degrees. He seemed to take an intense interest in the work, was letter-perfect in all parts and sections of it, and, although not an officer of the Lodge, was frequently called upon to work in one station or another. The old gentleman loved to discuss the meanings hidden in the symbolism of Masonry; he did a great deal of reading on Masonic subjects, and thought much and intelligently on the history and rise of the fraternity. Rarely did he miss a meeting of the Lodge, regular or special, and I later found that his attendance at the higher bodies was as steady as at the Lodge. He was frequently a visitor at other Lodges, and seemed to enjoy himself always. Marvelling at his untiring enthusiasm. I asked him the cause. "Brother," said he, " I'm 60 years old, and have been a Mason only four years. So you see I've got to hustle now to make up for all the years I've lost!"

It is a curious fact, but never the less true that the average man pays but little attention to the quality of his fire insurance, either as to the financial standing of the company in which he may insure, or as to its methods in loss adjustments. The insurers of large properties are becoming careful in respect to the character of the agent and companies and are fast treating the matter of fire insurance protection as of so much importance that expert agents are selected to prepare their contracts and select the companies.

They are becoming as careful in this respect, as in their selection of a lawyer to whom they refer their legal matters.

To the average man his fire insurance often stands between him and utter ruin, when his property is destroyed by fire, and yet so heedless is he of this most important fact that he places his insurance with an agent without proper discrimination; one who has no professional standing but is simply known by the property owner as being a "good fellow". Many thousands of dollars is lost every year through the failure of irresponsible companies and yet the lesson is not heeded by but few men. If one tenth the care were given by property owners in attention to the proper placing of their fire insurance that is given to ordinary business matters, a great deal of anxiety and occasional ruin would be avoided, when their property goes up in smoke. By placing insurance with Otto E. Greeley, 208 The Phoenix, the insured gets reliable insurance and prompt and equitable adjustment in case of loss.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, will confer the Fellow Craft degree at its stated communication, Tuesday, July 10.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree at the stated communication, Wednesday, 11th.

Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., expects to confer the Mark, Past and M. E. degrees at its stated convocation Monday, July 9.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, R. A. M., conferred the R. A. degree on four June 29; the attendance was good and work well done.

W. C. Wilson, the well known Mason of the second floor, Masonic Temple, hied away to the northern wilds to avoid the noise and heat of the Fourth.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will confer the Fellow Craft degree at a special Communication, Wednesday, 11th.; refreshments will be served after the work.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M. held a special convocation June 27 at which one candidate received the M. E. M. degree; this was followed by a special on the 29th; at which one candidate received the P. M. degree, and one the M. E. M. degree, and fourteen were exalted to the Royal Arch degree. Work began in the afternoon of the 29th., a six o'clock dinner was served by Maas, after which work was resumed.

The attendance was large. It is probable that the Chapter will not confer degrees again until after the close of the heated term.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OUTING.

The committees having in charge the arrangements for the Outing to be given by Zion Commandery No. 2, Darius No. 7, and Minneapolis Mounted No. 23, have not completed the program, but it can be definitely stated that it will occur on Tuesday, August 7, that it will be in the nature of a steamer trip; the party leaving Minnehaha landing at 8:30 A. M., by steamer C. W. Cowles, stopping at St. Paul at 9 A. M., for such as may choose to take boat there, then proceeding down the Mississippi and up the St. Croix rivers to some convenient landing place for a picnic dinner; returning, St. Paul will be reached at 10 P. M. Full announcement next week.

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E. C. Perry writes: "I have moved from Larimore, N. D. to sunny Alberta; as I still retain membership in "No. 19," Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, Zion Commandery No. 2, and Zuhrah Temple, naturally I read THE OBSERVER, so please send it here. I have organized a Biscuit factory and am erecting a first class plant". "In this city of 20,000, we have two very active Lodges of 500 to 600 members, a live Chapter of R. A. M., and dispensation pending for a third lodge." Bro. Perry's address is Calgary, Alberta, Can.

REAR ADMIRAL SCHLEY.

Wm. E. Harvey, member of Hiram Lodge No. 10, District of Columbia, was a caller at this office July 2. Bro. Harvey related the following incident.

One of the lodges of the District was to have a celebration and the cheirman in looking for speakers thought of Schley, who is a good talker, and sent him a request to deliver an address. Schley called on the chairman and after going over the matter consented to address the meeting, but "suddenly being reminded," asked why he who was not a Mason, should be called on. This was a surprise to the chairman as he had taken it for granted that the Admiral was a Mason. Schley having expressed a desire to become a Mason, the chairman secured his petition and there not being sufficient time to give him the degrees before the meeting at which he was to speak, if taken in the regular manner, and the Admiral being about to sail for Europe, a dispensation was secured from the Grand Master and the degrees conferred in one evening, and in time for Schley to deliver the address as a Mason. Winfield Scott Schley, Rear Admiral, U. S. Navy, is a member of Benjamin B. French Lodge No. 15, District of Columbia.

GRAND LECTURER A MINNESOTAN.

David S. Prescott, Grand Lecturer, Grand Lodge, Washington, is a native of Minnesota, having been born in Minneapolis, Jan. 11, 1859, removing to Castle Rock in 1870, and attending school at Carleton College, Northfield. He engaged in business in Glendive, Mont., in 1881, moving to Spokane in 1887.



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THE BUILDER TRUE.

Lawrence N. Greenleaf.

On earth's broad surface or beneath,
where'er we catch the gleam
Of genius in the works of man, the
builder stands supreme.
His art first won perfection's crown,
lo! time shall smite it last,
For 'tis the one enduring link which
binds us to the past.
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in sun-lit sky,
Its massive front, of chiseled grace,
where strength and beauty vie.
It hides war's blackened trail where
stood the city or the town,
Its glory lies in building up and not
in tearing down.
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palaces and domes,
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Whate'er our field, what'er our task,
or be it great or small,
Who life's sure purpose clear discern,
the far-off future scan,
Who see the bow of promise and the
brighter day for man,
With broader vision circle earth its
nations, peoples—one
In all that makes for progress ere the
final goal be won.

SAMUEL TUCKER.

By Gilbert Patten Brown.

It is an historical fact that nearly every leading patriot of the war of the American Revolution was a member of that ancient fraternity whose tenets are friendship, morality and brotherly live.

The subject of this sketch was made a Master Mason during that noted conflict, by St. Johns Lodge No. 1, of Boston, and his diploma, now in a good state of preservation, bears date January 30, 1779. Nathan Patten was Worshipful Master at that time. Tucker was born in Marblehead November 1, 1747. The Masonic Lodge at that place is rich in Masonic history of the colonial period, many of Tucker's neighbors and shipmates being members thereof.

His father a shipmaster from Marblehead in the palmy days of that port. When but eleven years of age Samuel ran away and shipped in the English sloop of war "Royal George." When twenty-one he commanded a merchantman and made numerous voyages to many countries before the revolutionary war. December 21, 1768, while at home from one of his voyages he married Mary, daughter of Samuel and Ann Gatchell, the wedding being quite a society affair. Deacon Gatchell, who was highly respected, said of Tucker, "Samuel is a good boy and worthy of my daughter."

When the war came he was in Lon-



HUGH R. SCOTT.

don and barely escaped compulsory service in the navy to which he was destined to deal such destructive blows. He got back to Boston by shipping as a passenger in a ship owned by Robert Morris, which encountered a terrific storm, during which young Tucker took charge of the vessel. Upon arrival Capt. Morris introduced him to Washington, who later gave him a captain's commission in the infant navy of the colonies.

It is recorded that when the express bearing his commission rode up to his door the captain, with his sleeves rolled up and a tarpaulin hat slouched over his face, was busily engaged chopping wood. "I say fellow," said the express, "I wish you would tell me if the Honorable Samuel Tucker lives hereabouts."

"Honorable! Honorable!" said Tucker, "there is not any man in Marblehead by that name. He must be one of the family of Tuckers at Salem. I am the only Samuel Tucker there is here."

The commission was delivered, however, and the next day found Tucker at Beverly, fitting out the Franklin, using his own private purse for the necessary equipment. He sailed under the Pine-Tree flag of Massachusetts, which his wife had hurridly made for him. His first engagement was with the British ship "George" and the brig "Annabel" with 280 Highland troops on board. It was a night struggle, lasting from 10 till midnight, when the British struck their colors after heavy loss in men and one of their commanders killed.

Tucker was then transferred to the Hancock and soon succeeded in the capture of two brigs in full view of a British man-of-war. Assisted by the Franklin, he captured the armed ship Peggy, which, with her cargo, was valued at £15,000. His next capture was the brig Lively, and it is estimated that during the year 1776 he captured between 30 and 40 ships, brigs and smaller vessels.

He was given command of the frigate Boston in March, 1777, and was made commodore and sailed in the Boston in June or July and captured a brig by boarding, which was much superior in size and armament to his own vessel. In February, 1778, he received orders to carry John Adams as envoy to France. During this voyage he was frequently chased by British cruisers, and on March 11 he captured the ship Martha with a valuable cargo. His noted passenger insisted upon taking part in this engagement, but was forced by Capt. Tucker to go below.

His log book of this cruise begins Feb. 11, 1778, and ends Oct. 12, 1778. It is unique in style. A brief extract of his "remarks" of March 1, 1778, reads as follows: "At 1, P. M., saw a ship to the S. E., standing to the west; out one sheet of the topsail and then gave chase. At 3 P. M. came up with her. I fired a gun and they returned three, and then down colors. I ordered the boat hoisted out and sent Mr. Barron and Mr. Reed on board, who sent on board us Capt. McIntosh of the prize ship, and some of the crew." An extract of March 12, 1778, reads, "At 3, P. M., I dismissed Lieutenant Welsh whom I had appointed prize master of the Martha, and saluted him with seven guns; my orders were for him to proceed to Boston." On Washington's birthday, 1778, he concludes that day's log as follows, "Pray God protect us, and carry us through our various troubles." Here we notice his faith in Deity as taught him in his childhood days.

He was at Charleston, S. C. during the winter of 1779-80 and was there during the siege of that place. Of course Tucker was included in the surrender of the American forces under Gen. Lincoln, but he told the British commander that he had struck more of their flags than were then flying in the harbor.

His next service was in the Thorn and after fully sustaining his record for prize taking and destruction until July, 1781, he was captured near the mouth of the St. Lawrence and this ended his career in that great struggle for freedom. But he followed the sea for some years. In 1792 he moved to Bremen. There he was, in turn, selectman, member Massachusetts and Maine legislatures and of the constitutional convention of the latter state.

During the war of 1812-1814, Commodore Tucker rendered valuable service to the people of Bristol, Maine, in protecting the coast from British seamen.

The words of Isaiah are fitting to the well spent life of our patriot brother, that "bread shall be given, and his waters shall be sure." Never during the vicissitudes of life did he forget the christian lessons he had learned during childhood in the "First Church of Christ" in Marblehead.

He died in Bremen, Maine, March 10, 1833. In the little old grave yard at Bremen, near the "wash of the Atlantic," can be seen a low mound marked by a slate-stone bearing the following modest inscription:

IN MEMORY OF
Com. Samuel Tucker
who died
March 10, 1833.
A Patriot of the Revolution.

LEGEND OF THE CRAFT.

F. O. Butt.

We are forced to conclude one of two things; either the beautiful story of the Grand Master's tragic end is true, and is a faitful account of an actual event, or that it is the creation of a master mind—a genius of imagination—whose creative power places in doubtful comparison the proudest conception of Shakespeare or Milton, or any other of the masters of literature, ancient or modern, that the world has known. The existence and survival of the story for many hundred years in Masonic tradition, as shown by such reliable historical fragments as we can gather, denies the possibility of its being the work of any of the writers of the past in the five hundred years gone, nor does its form and style meet and resemble in any respect the known works of any author of any age. It is equally unfair to assume that if it is the creation of an imagination, that the genius which shaped and formed solely from his brain the wonderful story of the Third Grand Master, would have paused there, and given to the world no further evidence of his power. True, it is, that upon that achievement alone his fame could rest, as that of a star of the first magnitude in the annals of literature, but stars of the first magnitude usually emit something more than a solitary ray. We are, therefore, driven to the conclusion that it is not a work of art, but instead, the simple record of an appalling fact. Its correctness of detail and simplicity of narrative confirms such a view. It is true to the times and places of which it purports to be a part; the legendary history of the country where the tragedy was enacted, and the mention of routes of travel are true to history: the "brow of the hill" is true to geography and the "acacia" true to the products of the country. The place of the intended embarkation of the criminals was a real place, and was, and still is, on the regular line of traffic into Ethiopia. Its brief tale is so simple that I think that even a child might understand it; so intense that untrained men may depict it in all its power.

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The return trip will begin at 5 P. M., the boat arriving at St. Paul at 10:30 P. M., where chartered cars will be in waiting to carry all to their homes.

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BEWARE OF FRAUDS.

The editor of the Observer, as secretary of the Masonic Board of Relief, not unfrequently meets with fraudulent cases. On July 3, an applicant for relief, claiming to be A. M. Scott of De Catur Lodge No. 3, Morristown, Cal., and in the secret service employment of the war department, was refused assistance for the reason that there is no such lodge, that number being extinct, as shown by the records. The case was reported to the war department and reply received, stating that the person was unknown. All persons asking for Masonic relief should be sent to 215 Masonic Temple.

Rev. Frank H. Hays, for past eight years pastor of the Presbyterian church at Grand Forks, N. D., on leaving the city was presented with a prelate's jewel by St. Aldemar Commandery, K. T.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Zuhrah Ladies, called off until September.

Cass Lake Stars visited their sisters at Bemidji recently.

Plymouth Chapter No. 9, has called off until Friday, Sept. 14.

Minot, N. D. Stars held their annual picnic at Campbell's ranch, July 11.

Aberdeen, S. D. Stars gave a reception to Mrs. C. N. Harris, the new Worthy Grand Matron, July 9. Mrs. Harris resides at Aberdeen.

Stars of Mohall, N. D., gave an entertainment July 2, " which excelled anything that our town has yet seen." The hall was decorated with roses, carnations, foliage and prairie flowers, the ladies dressed in white and the gentlemen in full evening costume. The program consisted of instrumental and vocal music, readings and dancing.

A dispensation was issued by the Grand Master of Wisconsin for the purpose of permitting the lodge at La Crosse, Wis., to confer the three degrees July 7, on Argyle Scott, whose father, a Mason, was dying and requested that his son might be permitted to grasp him by the hand as a Mason before death.

A banquet given by the Masons of Sauk Rapids, Minn., recently, is said to have been "a rousing affair."

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New York has 772 lodges with a membership of 139,203.

The late George M. Pullman of palace car fame, was made a Mason in Renovation Lodge No. 97, Albion, N. Y.

Appleton, Minn., Masons recently visited their brethren at Ortonville and assisted in conferring the third degree.

Baron Steuben of revolutionary fame, was at the time of his death a member of Holland Lodge No. 8, New York City.

The Chapter, R. A. M., and Council, R. & S. M., at Brainerd, Minn., have recently purchased new robes for the officers; they are said to have cost $400.00.

New York imposes a fifty cents per capita tax for maintainance of the Home at Utica; it is expected that the income from New York City holdings will soon permit the repeal of this tax.

Braintree, Mass., has lost one of her most respected citizens in the death of Nathaniel H. Hunt, at the age of eighty-six years; he was the oldest past Master of Rural Lodge of Quincy, having served from 1864 to 1866.

Simon W. Robinson Lodge, Lexington, Mass., recently attended services at the First Baptist Church, at the invitation of the pastor, who though not a Mason has taken much interest in the institution; this being the first public ceremony ever held by the lodge, it attracted much attention.

The use of Michigan work by officers of Michigan Lodges in conferring degrees in other jurisdictions, or permitting officers of Lodges in other jurisdictions to use their work in conferring degrees in Michigan, practiced during recent years, has been forbidden by the Grand Master in Michigan.

The Masonic Lodge of Troy, N. Y., attended divine services July 31, 1850, on the invitation of King Solomon's Primitive Lodge No. 91, in commemoration of the death of Gen. Zachary Taylor. An urn in the local cemetery has the following inscription: "Erected by the Masonic Fraternity of Troy to the memory of Gen. Zachary Taylor."

He who walks by the light of the square is very likely to win the respect of all men, because he will deserve it, and in the long run we generally get all we deserve, and sometimes a good deal more than we deserve; and I take it to be sure that the man who walks by the light of the square will always and under all conditions command absolutely his own self respect.—L. I Handy.

Gen. Ely S. Parker, a full-blooded Indian, a grand nephew of Red Jacket, was made a Mason in Batavia Lodge No. 475, and was the first Master of Akron Lodge, No. 527, N. Y.; his Indian name was Do-ne-ho-ga-wa. He was a Seneca and Chief of the six nations. During the Civil War he served on the staff of Gen. Grant, and as military secretary drew the first copy of the terms of capitulation at Appomattox. He died at Fairfield, Conn., Aug. 30, 1895.

Grand Master John Rowson, Michigan 1905, has had a strenuous year, and says at the conclusion of his address to Grand Lodge, "I am led to believe that a number of the Worshipful Masters and Secretaries will rejoice that my year as Grand Master is at an end, they believing that I have been unusually severe in my denunciation of their actions in evading or trying to evade Grand Lodge by-laws, regulations and decisions. I have tried to make my decisions fair and my criticisms just, but every Master, Secretary or lodge that I have found conducting their correspondence, business affairs, or conferring the degrees contrary to the Constitution, regulations, by-laws, penal code, ritual or monitor as approved and adopted by the Grand Lodge, has been, unhesitatingly called down."

The by-laws of Bath Lodge, No. 59, Bath, N. Y., warranted March 22, 1797, now extinct, contained the following: "Art. 9. The nightly dues shall be twenty-five cents for every meeting to be paid quarterly. Visitors after the first meeting to pay the same as members, officers of the Grand Lodge only excepted."

"Art. 11. In case of an extra meeting being called the expense of the same to be paid by the brother or brethren requiring the same."

Minneapolis and the G. A. R., is the title of a pamphlet recently published by A. P. Connolly, a member of George N. Morgan Post, G. A. R., Minneapolis. It contains, in addition to a historical sketch of Minneapolis and the G. A. R., accounts of the battels of Birch Coulee and Wood Lake, with the Indians in 1862, in which the author participated under Gen. Sibley.

Mr. Connolly served as Adjutant of the 6th. Minnesota during the civil war, and is a pioneer, coming to St. Anthony in 1857.

The book is very interesting and well repays perusal. Price 35c. It can be ordered through the Observer.

HUGH R. SCOTT.

The subject of our portrait was born on Third Avenue, between Fifth and Sixth Streets, St. Anthony, now South East Minneapolis, June 3, 1863, and probably has a larger acquaintance in Hennepin County than any other man, having served as County Auditor for several years. He resides with his family, wife and two daughters, in his own home at 3033, Dupont Ave. S., Minneapolis.

Mr. Scott served in the Spanish-American war, in the Philippines and elsewhere, as Second Lieutenant in the 13th Regiment, Minnesota Volunteer Infantry.

Brother Scott is a Past Master of Ark Lodge, No. 176, A. F. & A. M., Past High Priest of Ark Chapter, No. 53, R. A. M., a member of Minneapolis Council, No. 2, R. & S. M., of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, K. T., and of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine.

BROTHERLY LOVE RELIEF AND TRUTH.

John S. Scott.

I have this morning rec'd your catalogue of Masonic supplies and after glancing over it am prompted to respectfully ask you where you get your authority for insertion of the words "Friendship, Morality, Brotherly Love," on the Masters Carpet? It has been my contention for years in our Grand Lodge that the words, "B. R. T.," should be used in the Third Degree, instead of F. M. B., but because they find the latter printed on the Carpet many unthinking Masons persist in using the latter in the ceremony of reception, uttering words which are not true every time; undoubtedly F. M. & B. are inculcated in all the teachings of Freemasonry, but we are distinctly and very beautifully taught in the First Degree that the three Principal Tenets are Brotherly Love Relief and Truth, then why should the candidate for the highest honor be informed that they are something else, not nearly so expressive of the true foundation on which the magnificant fabric of Freemasonry is erected? Oh! says the book Mason, because we find it on the Chart.

Some few years ago I wrote to a few of the most noted and best informed Masons in different States, asking them what were the three principal tenets, and confronted our sticklers with their answers, which were, of course, every one of them, "Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth," and several of them very beautifully elaborated upon, and still the chart is poll parroted by most of our lodges. I was made under the Grand Jurisdiction of California which had in its early organization many of the brightest minds from the various States of the Union and a more perfect work than they adopted I have never seen exemplified since; they eliminated much which is tautological or inconsistent, and invariably used the words B. R. & T., where the Chart says F. M. & B. They also called themselves F. & A. M., which they are, and not A. F. & A. M., which they are not; I finally got Utah around to that change.

Clifton C. Gifford was raised in Valley Lodge No. 109, Rochester, N. Y., April 2, 1855, on the same evening he was elected secretary, and with the exception of a single year, 1894, has held the office ever since.

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L. O. Merriam, Plymouth No. 160, has gone to Cour de Alene for a vacation visit with his sons.

William H. Hoit, of the Masonic Temple, was made a Master Mason in Portland Lodge, No. 1, Maine, July 12, 1849.

Brothers and Sir Knights, meet me Aug. 7, at Minnehaha landing for a boat ride down the Mississippi. Music dancing, sports.

Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery, Scottish Rite, Shrine and Eastern Star Dues are payable in advance. Are yours paid?

Frank H. Forbes has been elected manager of the Masonic Temple and is installed in room 704; he will be a popular landlord.

Mrs. Noyes, wife of Eugene C. Noyes, secretary of Ark Lodge No. 176, is visiting relatives and friends at Janesville, Wis.

Saint Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., stated convocation Tuesday, 17th.; important business; general attendance requested.

J. E. Richmond, P. H. P. of Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., is back from a vacation visit to whitewater and other Wisconsin towns.

E. F. Klemptner, made a Mason in King Lodge No. 1, Hongkong, China, now a member of St. John No. 9, Seattle, is now located in Minneapolis.

Fremont Crane, a member of "No. 19", sinee 1887, located permanently in Spokane, Wash., is in charge of R. R. construction work at Stevenson, Wash.

W. H. Bogart, a member of St. Anthony Falls Chapter, No. 3, R. A. M., died on the 7th, and was buried at Lakewood on the 15th. Lodge membership unknown.

Did you ever take a boat ride on the beautiful Mississippi by moonlight? If you have you will want to again; if not, you must not miss the Knight Templar outing, Aug. 7.

H. L. Trimble, of Atelier Lodge No. 202, Dawson, Minn., Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., Minneapolis, Fargo Commandery No. 2, Fargo, N. D., recently residing at Fargo, has removed to Minneapolis.

Dr. O. K. Richardson of 19, will make a vacation trip to Alaska; he will take a Kodak, and make copious notes from which he will prepare a lecture with which he will entertain the lodge next winter.

Members of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, are requested to promptly notify the secretary of changes in address. This will apply to all lodges. Much trouble can be saved the secretary by prompt attention to this.

Alfred Blaisdell, formerly of Fairmount, Minn., now a resident of Minot, Minn., a Mason and member of the U. of M. class of 1898, was nominated to the ofice of Secretary of State of N. D., by the republicans, last Thursday.

Minneapolis Council, No. 2, R. & S. M., will confer degrees, Friday night, 20th., members are requested to attend; bring petitions with you. Visitors welcome. Music, and refreshments appropriate to the temperature.

Miss Dolly Taylor, long in charge of the office work of the Temple association, No. 19, Saint Johns No. 9 and Zuhrah Temple, at 704 Masonic Temple, severed her connection with the office last Saturday. She will be missed.

Horatio E. Mann, Saint Paul, member of Ancient Land Mark Lodge, No. 5, died July 10. Bro. Mann was born in Braintree, Vt., eighty-two years ago, and settled in Minneapolis in 1857, where he practiced law for several years.

John Tankersley, Tyler of Tippecanoe Lodge No. 492, Lafayette Chapter No. 3, R. A. M., Tippecanoe Council No. 68, R. & S. M., and Lafayette Commandery No. 3, and of the Eastern Star, at Lafayette, Indiana, visiting his son in Minneapolis, was a caller at this office on the 9th.

John Tankersley, Tippecanoe, No. 492, Indiana, J. C. Frink, Temple, No. 59, Minn., L. D. Smith, Paul Dean, Mass., L. M. Miller, Capital, S. O., No. 66, Mich., S. B. Washburn, Khurum, No. 112, J. K. Ferguson and L. N. McWhorter, Minnesota, No. 224, and Secretary Goff of Minnehaha, No. 165, partook of the hospitalities of "No. 19," last Wednesday.

Ark Chapter No. 53, conferred three degrees on one candidate last Monday night, and Arcana Lodge, No. 187, conferred degrees on three; Tuesday night, Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, conferred the Fellow Craft degree; Wednesday night Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, conferred the Fellow Craft degree on five, and Hennepin Lodge No. 4, conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on two.

The Lodge room on the second floor of the Masonic Temple, the home of Hennepin No. 4, Khurum No. 112 and Minnesota No. 224, also of Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, and Lorraine Chapter No. 16, O. E. S., is to be cleaned, decorated and re-upholstred and have a new carpet, which will make it one of the finest lodge rooms in the city.

In spite of the intense heat, there was a large attendance at the stated convocation of Palmyra Chapter, No. 55, R. A. M., June 10. After the regular business was disposed of the degrees of Mark Master and Past Master were conferred on three. The Companions were refreshed from time to time with copious draughts of lemonade, and light lunch was served after the work.

Arcana Lodge No. 187 will confer the Master Mason degree Monday, the 23d inst., opening at 3:45, the work will be in short form; in the evening in full. Members are urgently requested to be present and visitors will be cordially welcomed. Refreshments will be served to those who remain through the work.

The lodge appreciates the services rendered by Bro. L. N. McWhorter, S. W. of Minnesota No. 224, who has twice recently assisted in conferring degrees.

No. 19, had a largely attended meeting last Wednesday night. The second degree was conferred, with Junior Warden Chesher in the East, C. E. Braden in the West and A. E. Clarendon in the South, with Adams and Bester as Deacons and Richardson and Rust as Stewards. Adams gave the middle Chamber lecture aided by secretary Young with the lantern; Clarendon and Goulstone gave the lecture of the first section. The Masonic Quartet and Prof. C. S. Gilbert rendered the musical program, Maas served sandwiches, ice cream, cake, fruits, cigars and lemonade.

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W. E. Hoover, W. M. of the Masonic Lodge at Park River, N. D., who is removing from the city, was presented with a gold watch and chain by his lodge.

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BLUE LODGE.

Cataract 2, (Mpls.) 1st Sat., 20-22 Univ. av. S. E. Frank L. Gowen, W. M. W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Av. S. E.

ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 6 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., Geo. E. Young, Sec., 530 Temple Court (N. W. M. 2724—L) Res. 3021 Park Ave. (N. W., S. 445 J.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Summit 163.. (St. P.) 2nd and 4th Fri. H. P. Fahnestock, W. M., (N. W. M. 2660; T. C. 376). R. B. Ware, Sec., 1002 Pioneer Press Bldg. (N. W. M. 1407-L; T. C. 447.)

Minnehaha 165. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Tues. 1535 E. Lake st. Thos. W. Allen, W. M., 3110 20th av. S. (N. W. M. 438-J.) H. S. Goff, Sec., 2628 Clinton av.

Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 176 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

Ark 176. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Nic. and 31st st. C. C. Kramer, W. M., 424 Nicollet. E. C. Noyes, Sec., 603 Gty. Loan. (T. C. 700.) Meetings 8 P. M.

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Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

MIZPAH 191 (So. St. P.) 1st and 3d Tues, G. L. Lytle, W. M., So. St. Paul. J. W. Creath, Sec., So. St. Paul.

CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. Cty Hall. 33).

Albert Pike 237. (Hopkins.) 1st and 3d Wed. Wm. L. Fuedner, W. M. Frank K. Wade, Sec., St. Louis Park car at Hen. and 29th st. or Lake Minnetonka car.

FELLOWSHIP 257—(N. St. P.) 2d and 4th Monday. J. W. Herrick, W. M.; E. E. Stone, Sec.

Montgomery 258 (St. P.). 1st and 3d Wed., Masonic Hall, cor. Payne av. and Wells st. A. W. Bergstrom, W. M., H. H. Blinn, Sec., 710 E. Jessamine st.

Tusler, 263, (St. Anthony Park) 1st and 3rd Friday. Fred. Joerns, W. M., K. L. Fieseler, Sec.

CHAPTER.

MINNESOTA NO. 1—(St. P.)—1st Tues. A. J. Burningham, E. H. P. (N. W. 347); E. J. Larkin, Secy. (N. W. 2340.)

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, (Mpls.) S. E. Geo. P. Sjoblom, H. P., 301 Andrus Bldg., M. 2085, T. C. 392; W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Ave. S. E., M. 1957, T. C. 108.

St. John's Chapter 9. (Mpls. 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Willam Tweedie, H. P., H. M. Myers, Sec., 703 Mas. Temple. (T. C. 2657; N. W. M. 703.)

Summit 45. (St. P.) 3rd Tues. Fred C. Listoe, H. P. R. B. Ware, 1002 Pioneer Press. (T. C. 447.)

Ark Chapter 53. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Mon. Mas. Hall, Nic. av. and 31st. J. O. Rosenquist, H. P., L. A. Countryman, Sec., 109 E. 31st. (N. W. M. 332).

Palmyra 55. (St. Paul.) 2nd Tues. Benj. A. Phillips, H. P., Geo. E. Rouse, Sec., St. Anthony Park.

COLUMBIAN CHAPTER 60. (Mpls.) 4th Tues. Mas. Bldg., 304 20th av. N., John Hill, H. P. Geo. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Anchor Chapter 67. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Mas. Hall, 23rd and Central Av. John Suggitt, N. P., J. D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd Ave. N. E.

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Adoniram Council No. 5. (Mpls.) 2nd Mon. Mas. Hall, 20-22 Univ. Ave. S. E. Frank J. Meyst, T. I. M., 805 Lumber Ex. M. 1846; E. M. Van Cleve, Rec., 520 S. H. 4th St. (N. W. E. 229-J-2.)

COMMANDERY.

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Zion 2. (Mpls.) 2nd Tues. Mas. Tem. Henry Hahn, E. C. C. E. Ovenshire, Rec., 71 Highland av. N. W. M. 1484, T. C. 1997.

Darius Commandery No. 7, (Mpls.) 1st Mon. Mas. Hall, 22-24 Univ. Ave. S. E. W. C. Watson, E. C., 719 13th Ave. S. E., E. M. Van Cleve, Rec., 520 4th St. J-2.)

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SCOTTISH RITE.

Carmel Lodge of Perfection No. 1. (St. P.) 3d Mon., Mas. Hall. W. H. S. Wright V. M., P. P. Bldg. Geo. Herbert, Sec., (Omaha Gen. Office.).

Excelsior Lodge of Perfection 2. (Mpls.) 1st Thur. Mas. Tem. H. B. Marchbank, V. M. David W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

St. Paul Chapter Rose Croix No. 1. (St. P.) 4th Mon., Mas. Hall. Isaac Seddon W. M., Omaha Gen. Office. Geo. Herbert, Sec., Omaha Gen. Office.

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SHRINE.

Osman Temple. (St. Paul.) Masonic Temple, 2nd Wed. L. G. Hoffmann Potentate. J. W. Owens Rec.

Zuhrah Temple, (Mpls.) 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. John S. Dodge, Potentate, H. M. Meyers, Rec., 704 Mas. Tem. (T. C. 2657, N. W. 703.)

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Harmony Chapter 8. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Tues. Mas. Hall, 20-22 Univ. av. Mrs. Edna M. Kirk, W. M., 329 4th St. S. E. N. W. E. 738-J-2. Mrs. Abbie L. Townsend, Sec., 320 U. Ave. S. E.

Minneapolis Chapter 9. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Mon. Mas. Tm. Mrs. Abbie E. Reed, W. M., 17 N. 15 St. N. W. M. 4270-L Mrs. Mary E. R. McGuire, Sec., 3120 Stevens Ave. (N. W. So. 484-L-1.)

Lorraine Chapter 16. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Mas. Tem. Mrs. Sarah Latz, W. M., 1319 4th Ave. S., T. C. 10274. Mrs. Cora P. McCutchins, Sec., 33, 23d Ave. N. E., N. W.—E. 476 L. 2.

CONSTELLATION CHAPTER 18, O. E. S., (St. P.) 1st Wed., Mas. Hall, Lowry Arcade. Mrs. Sadie Sayre, W. M. Mrs. M. A. Gordon, Sec., 1396 W. Minnehaha Street.

Plymouth Chap. 19. O. E. S. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Fri. Mas. Hall, 20th av. N. Mrs. Louise Smith W. M., Mrs. Emma S. Dooley, Sec., 252—18th av. N.

St Paul Chapter 24, O. E. S. (St Paul 2nd Fri. Mas. Hall, Lowry Arcade. Louise Kruger, W. M. Miss Mary E. Hill, Sec., 710 Burr St.

Minnehaha Chapter 37. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Fri. Mas. Hall, Cor. Lake st. and Bloomington av. S. Mrs. Susan H. Hand, W. M., Miss Mary E. Palmes, Sec., 2438 17 av. So.

Arcana Chapter 38. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Hall, 2221 Cent. av. Luella Fleming, W. M., 2410 Central Ave. Mrs. Stella White, Sec., 2310 Jackson St. N. E., T. C. 13089.

MISTLETOE CHAPTER 96. (St. P.) 1st and 3rd Mon. 1033 W. 7th St. Mrs. E. J. C. Powles, W. M., 693 Otsego St. Mrs. Helen Sloggy, Sec., 571 Jackson st.

Palastine Chapter 112, O. E. S. (Minneapolis.) 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Temple. Mrs. Anna S. Morrison, W. M., 2424 Garfield av. S. (T. C. 3111. Mrs. Mary C. Taylor, Sec., 70 N. 15th st. (T. C. 313.)

Carmel Chap. No. 127. (St. P.) 2d and 4th Tues. Shekinah Hall, cor. Isabel and S. Wabasha st. Mrs. Hattie G. Madson, W M., 349 W. George st. Tel. T. C. 453. Miss Ada A. Woodbury, Sec., 158 E. Congress st. (N. W. M. 1289.)

Ivanhoe Chapter 135. (St. P.) 2nd Mon. Cor. Laurel and MacKubin. Mrs. Sadie B. Ray, W. M., 949 Laurel Ave. E. Young, Sec., 452 Iglehart st.

Emera Chapter 160. (Two Harbors, Minn.) Mrs. Susan Woodfill W. M. Mrs. Katherine B. Badley Sec.

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BUSINESS MEN IN MASONRY.

The Observer promised some time since to publish the names of some of our business men who are or have been prominent in Masonic work and put into print some of their ideas for the benefit of the brethren. We give below a sketch of a well known business man and Mason, Bro. Timberlake, who in addition to Masonic work has represented his district in the State Legislature and is the manager of a wellknown Life Insurance Company.

Byron H. Timberlake, was made a Mason about 15 years ago and was advanced to the Order of the Temple in a short time, his membership being in the several Masonic bodies that meet on the East Side where he lives. His disposition to become active in organizations with which he is connected was soon noted by the officers and within a year he was performing the duties of an appointive office in each of the bodies, to the satisfaction of his superiors as well as the members.

In due time he passed the various chairs in all the East Side Bodies, serving as Master of Cataract Lodge No. 2 in 1899; High Priest of St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, in 1898; Master of Adoniram Council No. 5 in 1896; and Commander of Darius Commandery No. 7 In 1902.

He has been uniformly accurate and impressive in his work having learned his Masonry from our late brother, professor Stiles Raymond, well known throughout the State as one of the best posted and accurate custodians of the work we have ever had.

At the annual inspection of Darius Commandery when Timberlake was Commander, Em. Sir Knight, Will Hayes Laird, was inspecting officer and some of the best floor movements and the greatest variety in the sword exercise that has been attempted for several years, were very successfully executed under Bro. Timberlake's personal command.

In reply to our question as to what most interested him in Masonry, Bro. Timberlake said: "The only thing I have thought about more than another in Masonry is the practical side of it, the actual relief offered to the distressed brother, the widow and the orphan.

The holding together of the organization, the "accurate and perfect work," are all side or incidental questions and are not to be compared to the larger question of really doing something for some one who needs help.

I Don't suppose anybody cares to take the time to try to work out anything along that line for print, but if anybody really cares to know what I am really interested in about Masonry, they should understand that it is the actual service rendered to a needy person who is entitled under the rules and usages, to the Masonic assistance. The real Mason will share his personal mite with the widow and orphan in need, whether they or their parents or husband ever heard of the Masonic Order or not.

I think the Masonic Order the greatest of its kind and it is important to keep the machinery of letter perfect work in good working order, but some times it appears to be considered by some as existing simply for the purpose of perpetuating the order. What I am trying to say is that I do not belong to that group. I think those who have sat with me in Lodge and other bodies, know that my long suit is actually doing something for the needy living, or in tenderly burying the dead.

Members of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, are requested to promptly notify the secretary of changes in address. This will apply to all lodges. Much trouble can be saved the secretary by prompt attention to this.

THE THIRD ANNUAL OUTING

Of the Knights and Ladies of Darius Commandery No. 7, Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, Zion Commandery No. 2, will occur Tuesday, Aug. 7th, 1906.

Sir Knights and Ladies:—

You are cordially invited to participate in this festive occasion, and, to that end, we request your presence at the Minnehaha Boat Landing at Minnehaha Falls at 9 A. M., Tuesday, August 7th, 1906, where the Palatial Steamer—C. W. COWLES, accompanied by the Royal double-decked barge, Minerva—will carry the Knights and their Ladies, from the romantic and historic Minnehaha, down the Majestic Father of the Waters to the beautiful City of Hudson, where the scenic waters of the St. Croix join the greater stream that wends its rippling way to the waves of the Gulf.

The steamer and barge will explore the picturesque waters of the St. Croix, on whose placid bosom is mirrored the poetic scenery of that famed stream—The mighty forests—The Frowning peaks of castled hills—The laughter of the Cascade of Osceola—The Palisades — The monumental Devil's Chair—The wonders of the Dalles. All these, in panoramic beauty, will pass before your enchanted eyes, to the strains of music from the thirty-five piece uniformed band.

In this Fairy Land, surrounded by the glories of nature, the steamer will come to anchor and all will go ashore where baskets will be opened and the cravings of the inner-man satisfied.

The Committee on Games have selected some handsome prizes to be awarded to the successful ones, in the various contests.

An orchestra will dispense dance music on the barge where those who wish may trip the light fantastic toe. Nature will aid us by lending the light of her round full moon to the

further enjoyment of the return trip.

The classic music of the far-famed MASONIC QUARTET will fill full the lap of our content.

All Master Masons and their friends are invited—the steamer and barge will comfortably carry 1,000. There will be no crowding, and a perfect time is absolutely assured.

Grasp the earliest opportunity to secure your TICKETS from some one of the following Committee:—Sir Knights Geo. W. Critten, W. W. Rowell, J. G. Houghton, W. M. Walker, W. H. Lyon, F. L. Schoonmaker, Jas. I. Brown, Eugene Hazeltine, C. L. Sawyer, C. E. Ovenshire, Hugh Scott, H. J. Putman, C. E. VanCleve, J. A. Schlener, W. C. Allen, W. A. Tanner, John Friend, F. B. Messer, E. W. Kittridge, H. F. Fankhauser, Ben C. Bonneau, A. E. Whitmore, C. E. Braden, W. H. Germond, E. M. VanCleve, Henry Hahn, L. F. Foote, Thos. Voegeli, Frank Heywood, Geo. O. Voorhees.

Voegeli Bros. Drug Co., Cor. 3rd and Washington and Schlener and Company, Stationery store, 516 Nicollet, will also have tickets on sale.

These tickets are unique in design and will be valued as souvenirs of the trip.

Bring your baskets well filled and include a drinking cup.

Free lemonade and coffee will be served.

This will unquestionably be the greatest summer-outing and picnic ever given by the three Commanderies and all their Masonic friends are again cordially invited and urged to partake of the pleasure of this royal outing.

Returning: The steamer will arrive at St. Paul at 10:30 P. M., where chartered cars will be in waiting at Sibley and Third St., one block from the Boat Landing.

On the down trip the steamer will make a landing at St. Paul at 9:30 A. M., to accommodate those who live on the Interurban Line.

Sir Knights E. C. Bonniwell, W. H. Cobban, James F. Ells, Committee on Arrangements.

Committees: On Introduction, Eminent Sir Knights, Wm. C. Watson, W. H. Cobban, Henry Hahn, T. S. Quimby, Platt Walker, J. I. Brown, W. A. Elliott, J. A. Schlener, E. A. Whitmore, C. Wilkins, C. W. Drew, C. C. Curtis, Jno. Friend, C. L. Sawyer, W. A. Freemire, C. E. VanCleve, C. E. Ovenshire, E. M. VanCleve, Eugene Hazeltine, J. C. Houghton, H. F. Fankhauser.

On refreshments, Sir Knights S. H. Towler, Wm. Tweedy, H. A. Maas.

On games, Sir. Knights, W. H. Germond, L. F. Foote, Frank H. Wilson.

On printing, Sir Knights C. G. Laybourn, N. B. Patten, H. C. Parlin.

Floor Committee: Sir Knights E. V. Marsh, John Lund, C. S. Dever, John Elliott, Clarence Rawitzer, M. F. Gregory.

The competition games for prizes, everybody being eligible to enter, will consist of running races, ball throwing, swimming, long distance talking, sympathetic talking, etc. etc.

All members of committees, whose names appear above, are urgently requested to assemble at the Commandery room, 6th floor Masonic Temple, Tuesday, July 24, at 12:30 P. M., sharp, as matters of great interest are to be considered. Do not fail to be there.

E. C. Bonniwell, Chairman.

GLEANINGS.

It is most pleasing and highly gratifying to have this occasion graced by the presence of the ladies today—particularly so because some are here in their representative capacity as members of the Order of the Eastern Star. Loyalty and devotion are always beautiful traits, but when we find them clothed with the gentle sympathy and tender love you bring in your desire to extend a helping hand, if you may, even by rendering the humblest service to Masonry and humanity, our hearts are touched, and the inborn knighthood of every true Mason makes acknowledgement of your noble endeavors. We know that you cherish the very best wishes for Masonry, and by kind words and unselfish deeds are always ready to encourage and assist.

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He is a Mason who can, and he is not a Mason who cannot,

"Grasp the whole world of reason,
life and sense
In one close system of benevolence—
Happier, as feeling, in whatever degree,
The height of bliss is height in charity."

* * *

No grafter, no oppressor of the weak, no wickedly designing instrument in the hands of the strong, no debaucher of public life, no demoralizer of political sentiment, no betrayer of public trust, and no excuser, condoner or palliator of such crimes against the people should have an abiding place among upright men and Masons.

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There is and should be no connection between Masonry, as an organization, and the State. Whatever relationship may exist must be individual and personal in character. As the church and State are properly separated, so are all secret societies and the State properly separated. Masonry is therefore in no sense a political institution. It can affect civil government only as it may affect the lives and character of those who participate in governmental affairs.

* * *

Freemasonry, to which we bear allegiance, is everywhere a flaming-winged messenger of peace. Its harmonies of life, when set at play, conduce to peace and discourage strife in every form: Peace in the breast of man, when conscious of duty performed; peace in the home where dwells father, mother and little child, like the New Jerusalem "descended out of the very heaven of God," where bides the peace that passeth understanding, where lingers the love that hath no bounds—peace in the community and peace in the nation.

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Masonic principles of liberty, equality and justice were literally woven into the warp and woof of our constitution, and it so transpired that an ardent Mason, Chief Justice Marshall, gave to it comprehensive breadth by his wise and liberal interpretations and broad construction of its provisions.—J. R. Killian.

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The church is an asylum for all sorts and conditions of men; its doors are thrown open to sinners; its purpose being to reform those who have violated divine laws. We assume no such responsibility in Masonry. We cannot undertake the work of reforming a bad man, nor is there place in our ranks for those who have the least taint on either name or character. Mistakes have been made in the past. Let us guard against repeating them in the future.—J. W. Ohl, Grand Prel., Col.

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"From the building of the first temple at Jerusalem to the Babylonish captivity, Freemasons' lodges were dedicated to Zerubbabel, the builder of the second Temple, and from that time to the final destruction of the Temple to Titus, in the reign of Vespasian, they were dedicated to St. John the Baptist; but owing to the many massacres and disorders which attended that memorable event, Free-

masonry sunk very much into decay. Many lodges were broken up, and but few could meet in sufficient numbers to constitute their legality; and at a general meeting of the Craft, held in the city of Benjamin, it was observed that the principal reason for the decline of Masonry was the want of a Grand Master to patronize it. They therefore deputed seven of their most eminent members to wait upon St. John the Evangelist, who was at that time bishop of Ephesus, requesting him to take the office of Grand Master. He returned for answer that, though well stricken in years (being upwards of ninety), yet having been in the early part of his life initiated into Masonry, he would take upon himself that office. He thereby completed, by his learning, what the other St. John had completed by his zeal, and thus drew what Freemasons term a parallel, ever since which all Freemasons' lodges in all Christian countries have been dedicated both to St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist."—Moore's Freemasons' Magazine.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Cloquet Stars initiated two on the 12th.

St. Paul Chapter No. 24, picniced at Como Park last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. W. R. Hand was given a farewell party by the Stars of Elbow Lake, Mrs. H. removes to Glenwood.

Stars of Osakis, Minn., presented Mrs. F. B. Cannada, a member, with an emblematic pin, on occasion of her removal to North Dakota.

Lorraine Social Club will meet Tuesday afternoon, July 24, at the home of Sister H. E. Latz, 1319 4th. Ave. S. All members and their friends are cordially invited.

Nobles of Yelduz Temple, Aberdeen, S. D., attended Ringling's circus in a body last Friday.

ANCIENT LANDMARK LODGE.

From the report of M. T. Emery, secretary of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M., for the year ending June 23, 1906, we take the following items: Membership June 22, 1905, 505; raised, 29; affiliated, 8; restored, 3; demitted, 11; died, 8; stricken from the rolls, 2; membership June 23, 1906, 524.

Financial: Amount on hand, general fund, June 22, 1905, $235.97; fees received, $1,585; dues received, $1,203; interest received, $167.56, total, $3,-$491.53; warrants drawn for various purposes, $2,446.24, leaving balance of $1,045.29.

Relief Fund: Balance June 22, 1905, $538.84; receipts, from interest, $432.44; returned, $10.25; paid for members and families, $298.37; funeral expenses, $443.36; transients, $37.25; San Francisco, $100, leaving balance, $102.55. The invested funds of the lodge amount to $15,000.

The dead: Nathan Jacobs, Wm. P. Jewett, Wm. F. Fifield, John Ward, Fred. Woodbourne, John F. Hoyt, Wm. A. Rudd, James E. Clifford.

GARABED KRIKOR BOYAJIAN.

Garabed Krikor Boyajian, who was initiated April 20, passed May 4th, and raised May 25, 1906, in Palestine Lodge, No. 357, Detroit, Mich., was born in Harpoot, Armenia, March 1, 1876. His parents are Armenians. His father was a Mason, having joined a lodge in Constantinople. His family from his father's side belong to one of the oldest in Asia Minor, and one of his ancestors, a general, fought against the Egyptians in 600 A. D. Bro. Boyajian has six brothers and sisters. He received his education in the high school and Euphrates College in Harpoot, Phillips Academy, Andover, and the Detroit Medical College. He has resided in Harpoot, Armenia; Wooster; New Haven, Conn.; Andover, Mass., and Detroit. He has been a student all his life except three years spent on a lecture tour through the Atlantic and middle states. He is at present a student in Detroit Medical College. Bro. Boyajian was married November 20, 1901, to Miss Ethyl Yerks, of Imlay City, Mich., and they have been blessed with one daughter. He is a member of the Methodist church. He also belongs to the Maccabees and Y. M. C. A.—The Palestine Bulletin.

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South Dakota has a new Commandery, K. T.; it is located at Chamberlain.

Nebraska has 2,160 K. T's. in 26 Commanderies, the gain for the year ending Feb. 28, 1906, was 130.

The Grand Recorder, K. T., Nebraska, computes the cost of maintaining the Home, for one person, to be $206.36, per annum.

The Grand Lodge of Minn., will lay the corner stone of a Masonic Temple at Hibbing, July 27. The building will be of stone and brick.

Funeral services for Thomas H. Glaskin, a well known business man of Duluth, were held in the Scottish Rite audtiorium of the Masonic Temple, July 8.

Capt. Samuel C. Wright a well known Mason and member of the G. A. R., was buried at Plymouth, Mass., July 9, he served in the 29th., Reg't., Mass. Vol. Infty.

The oath of office as President of the United States, was administered to George Washington by Robert R. Livingston, Chancellor of the State of New York, and Grand Master of Masons of that state. The marshal of the day was General Jacob Morton, Master of St. John's lodge and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York.

Imperial Potentate, Clayton, will be the guest of El Riad Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Sioux Falls, S. D., July 24. The I. P. will reach Minneapolis on his return trip early in August.

The Shriners of Butte, Mont., will hold a celebration July 26, in honor of imperial potentate, A. P. Clayton, who will visit them. The Sells-Forepaugh circus has offered to furnish an escort of camels and elephants for the parade.

Sauk Centre Council, U. D., R. & S. M. greeted five candidates who came from St. Cloud and Sauk Rapids, at a special assembly July 14. The Council now has some 30 members and quite a number more in prospect. Thrice Illustrious Master Barto and his corps of officers are doing good work. Grand Master Schurman was present and was well pleased with the work.

The forty-third annual conclave of the grand commandery, Iowa, was held during Festal Week at Templar park, Spirit Lake, commencing Tuesday, July 10, at 10 o'clock a. m., and continuing for four days. The meeting was one of the most interesting of the many that have been held at Templar park. Crom Bowen of Des Moines, was elected Grand Commander, D. M. Brownlee, Sioux City, Grand Recorder.

The open air communication of Tuscan Lodge, No. 44, at Lake Metigoshe, N. D., will be held July 24, beginning at 10 a. m. The Master Mason degree will be conferred. A similar occurrence took place at Fargo, N. D. several years ago, when after the loss by fire of the temple, the lodge conferred the degrees in the park, with a guard of Knights Templar surrounding it.

Eight hundred Masons of Illinois, Ohio, Indiana and Wisconsin assembled at the Englewood Masonic Temple, Ill. on July 5th to witness the presentation of the Masonic silver trowel to the Mystic Star Lodge of Englewood, Ill. This is the trowel being sent by Justice Lodge, New York, on a tour of the world; as it will not probably be sent to more than one lodge in any jurisdiction, would it not be well for the largest lodge in Minnesota to invite a visitation?

The Grand Lodge of Kansas announces the death of John Guthrie, Grand Master in 1877, whose death occurred July 1, 1906. He was a member of all the bodies of the York rite, and A. & A. S. R., and had served with distinction. He was born in Indiana in 1829, admitted to the bar in 1857, served in the Civil War with rank of Captain, moved to Topeka, Kan., in 1865, Legislator, Presidential Elector, District Judge and Postmaster, member of G. A. R. City of Guthrie, Oklahoma named for him.

Last Saturday marked the opening, or housewarming, of "Springhrook," at Dousman, Waukesha county, Wisconsin, which Willard A. Van Brunt donated to the Wisconsin consistory last fall for a home for aged members and their families. The affair will be in the nature of a basket picnic, with members of the Masonic fraternity from every part of the state attending.

The farm, which for years has been known throughout the United States as the "premium farm," has been greatly improved to meet the requirements of the purposes for which the donation was designed. It has been carefully stacked with dairy cattle, the committee having in mind that it shall not only be self-supporting when in full running order, but if possible throw off a small profit annually to guard against any possible contingencies.

LIBRARIAN DEAD.

George P. Rupp, the librarian of Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, died July 3 in the Jewish Hospital, after an illness of many months. He was one of the famous librarians of the country, and was one of the foremost figures in Free Masonry in Pennsylvania.

He was an authority upon Masonic matters and a famous collector of Masonic insignia. In addition to being worshipful master of Philo Lodge, No. 444, he was scribe of Philadelphia Chapter, No. 169, R. A. M.; a member of Joppa Council, No. 46, R. and S. M.; a member of Philadelphia Commandery, No. 2, K. T., and a member of Philadelphia Consistory, A. A. S. R.

He was a prominent figure at the meetings of the Grand Lodge, and was beloved by all who knew him for his genial, wholesouled qualities.

One of the largest crowds ever known to gather at a Cunard liner sailing was seen at the docks in E. Boston Tuesday, July 19, at the departure of the Ivernia, many of whom were friends of 62 of the DeMolay commandery of the Knights Templar,

of Boston, who are going in a party on an extended two months tour in Europe. Two tugs, the Scylla and the Orion, took almost 200 of the friends down the harbor alongside the vessel. The templars, both in the tugs and on the Ivernia, were supplied with silk flags, which were waved incessantly all the way down the harbor. The parting cheers and waving as the boats parted company was very impressive. There are 62 templars who are making the trip abroad, which is one of the greatest excursions ever undertaken by the Commandery. Their trip will include visits to Liverpool, Chester, Stratford-on-Avon, London, Paris, Brussels, Cologne, the Rhine district and Italy.—Boston Ideas.

THE SUPER-EXCELLENT DEGREE.

Louisiana Council No. 2, Royal and Select Masons, conferred, for the second time inside of two years, on Saturday evening, April 7, the Super-Excellent Master degree.—The Square and Compass.

The Super-Excellent degree was recently conferred in New York; as this degree is rarely worked there was a large attendance.—Exchange.

Monday evening the work of the super-excellent degree was exemplified under the auspices of the Grand Council of Massachusetts, a special assembly of that body being convoked in Ionic Hall at seven o'clock. This degree is seldom worked in full ceremonial form outside of Massachusetts. —The New England Craftsman, July.

These items remind us of a recent visitor from Buffalo, N. Y., who was shown over our city by the editor of the Observer. Before starting out he told of the wonders of Buffalo, and especially of its large buildings, the court house in his opinion being the largest in the world. After being shown through several buildings, mills, etc., without appearing greatly impressed, he was taken through the court house and city hall; after coming out he expressed a wish to walk around the court house, after which he exclaimed, "Well! I believe we could set our court house down in one corner of this and lose it."

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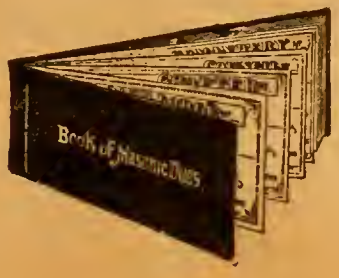
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

J. G. Graves, 3014 2d Ave. S., Tyler of Ark Lodge, No. 176, is seriously sick.

You will feel better, so will your secretary, after your dues have been paid.

H. R. Stone, of Saint Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., is permanently located at Columbus, Ga.

St. Anthony Falls, Chapter, No. 3, R. A. M., conferred the Mark and Past Master degrees last Saturday night.

J. F. Daniels, of Lodge No. 17, Topeka, Kan., is a visitor in the city. Bro. Daniels is also a member of the A. & A. S. R.

Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery, Scottish Rite, Shrine and Eastern Star Dues are payable in advance. Are yours paid?

Cataract Lodge, No. 2, will confer the Fellow Craft degree at a special, Thursday, Aug. 2, 7:45. Refreshments will be served.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will confer the Master Mason degree during the week of G. A. R. encampment; see Observer for date.

D. Van Kreslin, a member of Cataract Lodge, No. 2, formerly of Watertown, Minn., was buried by the lodge at Lakewood cemetery, last Tuesday.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, expects to confer the Master Mason degree during the week of the G. A. R. encampment, due announcement will be made.

L. C. Stevenson, Merriam Park, a member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, has been unable to attend to his business for some months because of serious sickness.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, greeted several candidates last Friday night. The attendance was large, cool refreshments were served and a general good time enjoyed.

Geo. E. Warner, the genial Recorder of Minneapolis Council No. 2 R. & S. M., greets members and visitors with a pleasant "How-dy", and presents each with a boutonniere, his favorite is the Carnation.

Altho Khurum Lodge No. 112, gave notice that it would call no specials for work during the heated term, it has been compelled by press of work to "call off" this order. At the stated communication, 13th., the E. A. & F. C. degrees were conferred; a special was called and the E. A. degree conferred on the 20th., and the F. C. degree is set for the stated on the 27th.

Arcana Lodge No. 187 will confer the Master Mason degree Monday, the 23d inst., opening at 3:45, the work will be in short form; in the evening in full. Members are urgently requested to be present and visitors will be cordially welcomed. Refreshments will be served to those who remain through the work.

Renovating seems to be in vogue. Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, Saint Johns Chapter, No. 9, and Zion Commandery propose to take advantage of light work in July and August to make some needed repairs in their rooms on the 6th floor of the Temple.

William Henry Hoit of the Masonic Temple, is in possession of a certificate dated February 18, 1868, issued by Zion Commandery, No. 2, K. T., attested by R. S. Alden, E. Commander, John I. Black, Generalissimo, and George A. Camp, Capt. General, and attested by Geo. A. Savory, Grand Recorder.

Shekinah Lodge No. 171, St. Paul, recently issued invitations inviting its members to meet Grand Chaplain, Rev. Alfred G. Pinkham, recently removed to St. Paul, and welcome him to their community. The meeting occurred on the 16th. and was largely attended. There was work on the E. A. degree and refreshments were served.

A special election of Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. will be held at the next stated session of said Temple on Friday evening, July 27, 1906, at 8 o'clock, in the Shrine Hall, eighth floor, Masonic Temple, to fill vacancies in the offices of Oriental Guide and Recorder, caused by the resignations of Nobles Conway MacMillan as Oriental Guide and H. M. Myers as Recorder. David W. Knowlton, Recorder Pro tem.

Geo. E. Young, secretary of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, was the recipient of a beautiful Jewel from that Lodge at the stated communication, July 18. The presentation was made on behalf of the Lodge by Past Master, Charles L. Sawyer.

The jewel is of gold, with two bars connected by chains, with the letter "G" pendant from the upper bar, and a Compass and Square from the lower. The upper bar has the name, Geo. E. Young, the lower, the words "Past Master". The apex of the Compass contains the lodge button in blue with the number "19"; between the points of the Compass there is a sun with rays, in the center of which is set a moonstone. It is the finest Past Master's jewel we have ever seen.

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MASONIC TEMPLE.

From the report of the board of directors of the Masonic Temple association, for the year ending March 31, we find the financial condition to be as follows: Resources: real estate, building, etc., $360,476.14; rents uncollected, $1,184.48; insurance, unearned premiums, $940.90; bills receiveable, $1,227; cash, $2,117.05; interest advanced, $101.25; total $366.046.82; Liabilities, Capital stock, paid up, $187,900; mortgage notes. $107,000; rents paid in advance, $478.00; net earnings to April 1, 1905, $63,526.56; net earnings past year, $7,142.26.

The rents for the year amount to $30,950.03; among the principal items of disbursements are the following: taxes, $4,404.80; interest, $5,332.50; fuel, $3,507.30; pay roll, $5,996.41; permanent improvements, $1,428.25; paid on mortgage notes, $10.000

7,516 shares of capital stock have been issued and are owned by 265 holders; the several Masonic bodies meeting in the Temple own 5,061 shares.

The officers of the association are, A. T. Ankeney, Pres., W. P. Roberts, Sec., Jno. A. Schlener, Treasurer.

Although not expressed in the report, it is the intention of the directors to make considerable improvement in the Temple this year, as well as to reduce the mortgage indebtedness to $100,000. The directors have labored faithfully and with success to place this property on a paying basis and to preserve it to the Masonic fraternity, and a very few years will see the fruition of their labors.

When the Masons of Canton, N. Y., applied for a dispensation to form a Lodge, a public meeting was held in the Court House, speeches were made denouncing the movement and the people were called upon to protest against organizing a Masonic Lodge; the dispensation was granted and St. Lawrence Lodge No. 111, formed. It now has 165 members, and has given to the state a Supreme Court Judge, an Attorney-General and several minor officials. Its warrant is dated June 10, 1846.

Lodge Directory.

BLUE LODGE.

Cataract 2, (Mpls.) 1st Sat., 20-22 Univ. av. S. E. Frank L. Gowen, W. M. W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Av. S. E.

ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bulls, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 5 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., Geo. E. Young, Sec., 530 Temple Court (N. W. M. 2734—L) Res. 3021 Park Ave. (N. W., S. 445 J.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

Summit 163.. (St. P.) 2nd and 4th Fri. H. P. Fahnestock, W. M., (N. W. M. 2660; T. C. 375). R. B. Ware, Sec., 1002 Pioneer Press Bldg. (N. W. M. 1407-L; T. C. 447.)

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Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Welsenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

Ark 176. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Mon. Nic. and 31st st. C. C. Kramer, W. M., 424 Nicollet. E. C. Noyes, Sec., 603 Gty. Loan. (T. C. 700.) Meetings 8 P. M.

Midway 185 (St. P.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Hall, 761 Snelling Ave., Hamline; Chas. T. Pohling, W. M., St. Anthony Pk.; E. L. Allard, Sec., Hamline, (T. C. 6023; Selby 23-2. Prior 28-2.)

Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

MIZPAH 191 (So. St. P.) 1st and 3d Tues, G. L. Lytle, W. M., So. St. Paul. J. W. Creath, Sec., So. St. Paul.

CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. Cty Hall. 33).

Albert Pike 237. (Hopkins.) 1st and 3d Wed. Wm. L. Fuedner, W. M. Frank K. Wade, Sec., St. Louis Park car at Hen. and 29th st. or Lake Minnetonka car.

FELLOWSHIP 257—(N. St. P.) 2d and 4th Monday. J. W. Herrick, W. M.; E. E. Stone, Sec.

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Tusler, 263, (St. Anthony Park) 1st and 3rd Friday. Fred. Joerns, W. M., K. L. Fieseler, Sec.

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MINNESOTA NO. 1—(St. P.)—1st Tues. A. J. Burningham, E. H. P. (N. W. 347); E. J. Larkin, Secy. (N. W. 2340.)

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, (Mpls.) S. E. Geo. P. Sjoblom, H. P., 301 Andrus Bldg., M. 2085, T. C. 392; W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Ave. S. E., M. 1957, T. C. 108.

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Summit 45. (St. P.) 3rd Tues. Fred C. Listoe, H. P. R. B. Ware, 1002 Pioneer Press. (T. C. 447.)

Ark Chapter 53. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Mon. Mas. Hall, Nic. av. and 31st. J. O. Rosenquist, H. P., L. A. Countryman, Sec., 109 E. 31st. (N. W. M. 332).

Palmyra 55. (St. Paul.) 2nd Tues. Benj. A. Phillips, H. P., Geo. E. Rouse, Sec., St. Anthony Park.

COLUMBIAN CHAPTER 60. (Mpls.) 4th Tues. Mas. Bldg., 304 20th av. N., John Hill, H. P. Geo. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

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Harmony Chapter No. 8, O. E. S. (Mpls)
Carmel Chap. 127, O. E. S. (St. Paul.)

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STATED.
Hennepin No. 4, Mas. Tem.
Minnesota Consistory, No. 1, St. Paul.

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
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FREEMASONRY IN MINNESOTA.

"In accordance with a resolution adopted by each of the several chartered lodges in the Territory of Minnesota, Delegates from three lodges met at the ladge room of St. Paul lodge No. 1, on Wednesday evening, February 23d, 1853, to take such measures as were necessary in order to form a Grand Lodge."—Pro. Con.

The convention was called to order by A. T. C. Pierson and organized by the appointment of A. E. Ames president and A. T. C. Pierson secretary.

St. Paul Lodge No. 1, was represented by D. F. Brawley, W. M., D. W. C. Dunwell, S. W., Lott Moffett, J. W., Aaron Goodrich, P. M., and A. T. C. Pierson. St. John's Lodge No. 1, Stillwater, was represented by Dr. Hoyty, as proxy for F. K. Bartlett, W. M., H. N. Setzer, S. W., D. B. Loomis, as proxy for Wm. Holcomb, J. W. Cataract Lodge No. 168, St. Anthony, was represented by A. E. Ames, W. M., D. M. Coolbaugh, S. W., C. T. Stearns, J. W., and Emanuel Case, P. M.

A. T. C. Pierson offered the following: "Resolved, That it is the deliberate opinion of this convention, that the permanent good of Mansonry demands the formation of a Grand Lodge for Minnesota."

Judge Aaron Goodrich offered the resolution for a committee to draft a constitution and regulations. Judge A. Goodrich of St. Paul No. 1, Hon. D. B. Loomis of St. John's No. 1, and E. Case of Cataract No. 168, were appointed such committee. The convention adjourned until Thursday afternoon.

Thursday the convention met pursuant to adjournment, "when a Lodge was opened on the third Degree, in due and ancient form," with the following officers: P. M., A. E. Ames, as "Worthy" Master, P. M., D. F. Brawley, as S. W., Bro. D. B. Loomis, as J. W., P. M., E. Case, as Treasurer, P. M., A. T. C. Pierson, as Secretary, Bro. Lott Moffet, as S. D., Bro. D. M. Coolbaugh, as J. D., Bro. C. T. Stearns, as Tyler. The roll being called and each delegate present, the committee on constitution and regulations reported.



HENRY C. HANKE.

Altho the committee was appointed on the 23d., the report reads: "The undersigned committee, appointed on the evening of the 21st. inst." The report is signed by the full committee and is dated Feb. 23, 1853.

Section one of the constitution as adopted at this meeting provides that the Grand Lodge shall consist of Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Junior Warden, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Grand Chaplain, Grand Senior Deacon, Grand Junior Deacon, Grand

Sword Bearer, Grand Marshal, Grand Pursuivant, Grand Steward, Grand Tyler; "and also the Past Grand and Deputy Grand Masters, P. G. S. and P. G. J. Wardens, and Past Master of Regular Lodges, who shall have presided over a Lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, six months, whilst they continue members of a Lodge under this jurisdiction, and the representatives of Subordinate Lodges."

Section two provides that when the Master and Wardens cannot personally attend Grand Lodge, they may appoint proxies, but should they fail to do so, they may be appointed by resolution of the lodge.

Section four provided for Grand Communications to be held in St. Paul on the first Monday in January, "and that said meeting shall be called the Grand Annual Communication."

Section ten provides for the election of the first four officers, all others to be appointed by the Grand Master.

Section twelve, provides for nominations of Grand oficers. "In the election of Grand Master, the last Grand Master, if eligible, shall be among the candidates for re-election, unless he shall decline, and no vote shall be counted which shall be given to a brother not in nomination." It also provides that the Deputy Grand Master shall count the votes.

The Grand Secretary shall receive a stated salary; likewise the following fees from parties employing him: for copying records, files and proceedings of the Grand Lodge, or any instrument or writing emanating therefrom, ten cents for every hundred words and one dollar for affixing his seal to such instrument, and $2.00 for each dispensation or Charter, to be paid by the lodge procuring same.

Section ten of article two provides: "The Grand Treasurer must be a brother of good wordly substance."

The Grand Stewards are requested to attend the meeting of G. L., "and furnish such refreshments as may be required."

Article three provided for following fees: One dollar for each degree conferred and fifty cents annually for each member, $20.00 for each dispensation, and $2.00 to G. S.; $25.00 for each charter, and fees of G .S. The minimum fee to subordinate lodges for each degree, $5.00

Article four provided that: "The Grand Charity Fund shall consist of all moneys in the Treasury, after defraying the current and incidental expenses of the Grand Lodge."

One of the resolutions adopted provided "That the clothing of brethren at Masonic funerals shall be white aprons, white sashes, and white gloves."

After the adoption of the constitution the Convention elected Grand Officers by ballot, as follows: For Grand Master, A. E. Ames, without nomination, received the unanimons vote, eleven ballots. For D. G. M. Brothers Goodrich, Brawley and Pierson were nominated; Goodrich receiving six votes was elected. D. F. Brawley was sole nominee for G. S. W. and was elected. A. Van Vorhes received the nomination for G. J. W. and was elected . The remaining officers were appointed, Bro. Pierson, the secretary of the convention and afterwards Grand Master and for many years Grand Secretary, receiving the appointment as Grand Marshal.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota was opened and the G. M., D. G. M., G. S. W., G. J. W., G. Treas. and G. Sec. installed, there is no record in the proceedings that the remaining officers were installed.

Charters were issued to the lodges as follows: St. John's, Stillwater, No. 1, Cataract, St. Anthony, No. 2, St. Paul, St. Paul, No. 3, which was in accordance with the dates of their original charters.

The first vote of thanks was given to A. J. Morgan for installing the officers.

Grand Master Ames delivered a short address after which the first annual communication was closed.

NOTE—It is the intention of the Observer briefly to review Masonic events in Minnesota as recorded in the proceedings of the several grand bodies. As the early Grand Lodge proceedings at our command appear to be reprints and are therefore liable to contain many errors, we shall be pleased to have our attention called to any which may appear. It is hoped that this review will be of interest to Masons of today.—Editor.

MASONRY AND THE FLAG.

It is possible for a man to be a genuine mason without loving the country of which that starry banner is the emblem, but it is not possible for a citizen of the United States, for an American, native or foreign born, to be a good mason, unless he loves the country of which that is the emblem; unless he is a good citizen of the United States and a lover of that flag.

In all American wars members of the masonic order have been soldiers. Among the best, the most distinguished, and bravest leaders, masons were always found. On every battle field fought for the good name, the honor, upbuilding and uplifting of the nation, good blood has flown from the veins of masons. Thousands of masons have given their lives, given them willingly, that their country might live, right might triumph and that our flag might wave forever. In all future struggles that emergencies may demand, in the fore front will be found masons marching under that flag, and among the thousands will be men famous as commanders of armies, corps, divisions, brigades, regiments and companies. In the ranks will be men with hearts as brave and patriotism as pure as the bravest and best that ever fought and died that a nation might be founded, that a nation might be saved, that a nation might grow, that a nation might expand and become not only useful and great for its own people, but great and useful for the people of all lands.

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Masonry is still masonry; that masonry still possesses wisdom; that masonry still loves humanity; loves the country; is patriotic. May the day never come when our honored order is less in any of the respects enumerated, or unenumerated, than it has been at any time in its long. eventful and glorious past. May it ever be ready with the cup of cold water for the thirsty, bread for the hungry, sympathy for the sorrowing, words of cheer and hope for the discouraged, help for the needy.

How wisely the fathers of masonry laid the foundation; how well they built upon it; how plain it has been made that we could not improve upon their work; how dangerous it would be to replace with our plans any of their plans. We have never varied from their landmarks. We never can vary from them to the betterment of masonry, to greater helpfulness for masons and humanity generally.

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When the days of the trained nurse came in the larger cities, masonry was quick to supply that skillful, helpful servant for the sick, and that was well. But a mistake will always be made when we abandon, in city or in country, the Christian, the brotherly, the beautiful custom of sending each night a representative or representatives to be at the call of the sufferer, to take him by the hand, to give him a smile, a pleasant word of hope, and if need be a word of prayer. He will place a higher estimate upon these things than upon almost anything else during the tiresome days of his illness. Let the representatives of lodge, chapter, commandery, or consistory take with them, as in the days of old, clusters of God's own paintings, the fresh-

est, sweetest of flowers. He loved them in his health. They will be a double delight to him at his bedside; his dimming eyes will feast upon them as never before. He will appreciate them as never before. What a beautiful custom it is; how needful it is that it be continued. That other custom of sending wreaths and boxes of flowers to be placed upon the casket and the grave is well enough, but it is not so important, and there is not so much heart in it, as the carrying of flowers to the sickroom, there to be enjoyed, there to comfort, there for weary eyes to feast upon.—Col. J. A. Watrous, Wis.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, O. E. S., picniced near Lake Harriet last Saturday.

Palestine Social Club will meet with Mrs. J. C. Lewis, 124 West Grant St., Thursday, Aug. 2, at 2:30. Cards.

Miss Abbie A. Adams, chaplain of Commonwealth Chapter No. 74, O. E. S., Boston, Mass., received the degrees from Robert Morris in West Union, Iowa.

ZUHRAH'S LADIES.

Mrs Thomas Voegeli entertained Zuhrahs Ladies' on July 20, at her home on Hillside Avenue. The ladies met in the afternoon for a thimble bee, the gentlemen joining them later for a picnic supper on the beautiful lawn. Thirty six were present and the affair was in every way most enjoyable.

Plans were discussed for the annual bazaar which the Ladies are arranging for December and which is expected to prove even more popular and profitable than those already given.

Mrs. W. M. Walker will entertain the Ladies on Aug. 17, at her home at Tonka Bay.—Mrs. J. L. Brown.

George Washington was initiated November 4, 1752, passed March 3, 1753, raised August 4th, 1753, in Fredericksburg Lodge, his initiation taking place a few months before his twenty-first birthday.

A writer in The Tyler-Keystone is concerned for the status of the Grand Lodges of Oklahoma and Indian Territory since the admission of those territories into statehood as the State of Oklahoma; he has this to say:

"The admission of the new state of Oklahoma present some interesting problems to the large fraternal bodies now having grand lodges in each of the territories from which the new state is formed. Some may consolidate and some may not, and the anomalous condition might present itself of two grand bodies in the same commonwealth. This is particularly true of the grand lodges of Masons, which, having no superior authority, might each continue to exist. But the question might arise whether each was entitled to exercise concurrent jurisdiction in the entire state or only over its old terirtory. Or would Indian Territory yield in all cases because the names of her grand lodges have become obsolete? And think of all the 'good men and true' who will find themselves out of highly honorable fraternal positions in the new united grand bodies? How many ambitious members now in line in the several grand bodies will never reach the head of the grand bodies if they 'fuse'? The problem is a new one in American fraternities, for while many grand jurisdictions have heretofore been divided by the establishment of new states and territories, never before have district and established grand jurisdictions been united."

Masons can always settle questions of jurisdiction arising from any cause, and it does not seem that this case presents any great difficulties. In all probability the grand bodies will call a convention and consolidate. But should the ambitions of individuals prevent this there is no particular reason why two grand lodges might not exist in the state, each retaining jurisdiction within its present jurisdictional lines. If a joint Grand Lodge could exist, covering both North Carolina and Tennessee, from 1801 to 1813, why might not two Grand Lodges exist in one state. However, the brethren of the new state will settle this in their own way, and to the saitsfaction of all.

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Imperial potentate Clayton will visit El Zagal Temple, Fargo, Aug. 7.

Masonic bodies of Sioux Falls, S. D. have moved into the new temple which was dedicated at the Grand Lodge session in June.

About 200 from northern Minnesota and North Dakota towns gathered at Fargo on the 20th. to witness the third degree work on a class of ten.

Boston Council, Royal and Select Masters, claims to be the oldest body of Cryptic Masonry in New England; it was established in 1817; its present membership is over one thousand.

Sir Walter Scott, is said to have been initiated in St. David Lodge, Edinburgh, originally Canongate from Lieth, at "emergency meeting," March 2, 1801; his father and brother are said to have been members of the same lodge.

Masons of Green Bay, Wis., have decided not to erect a temple this year; owing to the greatly increased cost of building material, the temple which they proposed to erect for $80,000, will cost $125,000; they hope to be able to build next year.

Weymouth, Mass. lost one of its most respected citizens, and Masonry a shining light, in the death of Augustus J. Richards who was laid at rest July 19, in old North cemetery at Weymouth Heights. The services were conducted in the congregational church by the pastor; after the close of the church services the Knights Templar funeral service was rendered by Em. Com. Arthur W. Stetson, assisted by Prelate, Howard Poole, of South Shore commandery. Orphan's Hope Lodge and Pentalpha Chapter attended in a body.

Masons of Fairmont and Armstrong, Minn., held a picnic at Silver Lake Park on the 18th.; the attendance was large; an association was formed with Dr. Woodcock of Armstrong, president, Wm. Bird, vice president, J. G. Mitchell, secretary, John Dows, treasurer.

Spokane, Wash., has lost an enterprising and respected citizen by the death of David Glass, a pioneer, who had done much for the city. The Rose Croix funeral services were conducted by the officers of the Chapter; the body was sent to London, Ontario, for burial.

TRIENNIAL GRAND ENCAMPMENT SARATOGA SPRINGS, JULY 7-14, 1907.

Sir Knight:

I send you the following with reference to the Triennial of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States to be held at Saratoga Springs during the week of July 7-14, 1907.

Matters are progressing very favorably for the Triennial and committees are actively at work.

The committee on Parades and Drills consisting of Sir Knights Edwin C. Hall, Arthur W. T. Back, Jas. H. Lloyd, John Little and Erastus C. Knight, have had several meetings and have drawn up regulations for the competitive drill which regulations have been approved and are now ready to be promulgated.

This committee has also laid out a line of march and located stands for reviewing purposes.

All preliminary arrangements have been made to get the address of every drill corps in the United States. Quite a number of these are already drilling for the event.

Kindly send me the name and address of the commander of your drill corp. If you have not already furnished this information will you kindly do so at once. It will help greatly.

A letter has been sent to every Grand Recorder and other Sir Knights in the United States asking for information as to list of officers, Triennial committee etc., and a mailing list has been prepared to send all matters relative to the Triennial. This letter also urged all who contemplated going to Saratoga to complete arrangements, if not already made, with the hotel committee and to write at once to Sir Knight Adelbert P. Knapp, Saratoga Springs, chairman of the Hotel committee. It is important that this he done at an early date.

Nearly all the Grand Commanderies in the United States, including New York State, have secured headquarters at the Grand Union Hotel. One hotel in Troy and two in Albany have also been engaged. Arrangements have been made to take in hotels at outlying places like Ballston, Glens Falls, Lake George etc., 250 Sir Knights have secured accommodations at the Fort William Henry Hotel, Lake George. But notwithstanding all this there is plenty of room in Saratoga Springs. One hotel has not yet been touched as the present lessee will not have the hotel next year. A canvass of the cottages at Saratoga Springs has been made so as to enable those who do not want to go to hotels to hire furnished houses as was done at Denver, Louisville, etc.

Courteously yours,
Arthur MacArthur,
Chairman Triennial Committee.

QUEBEC MASONS.

The United Grand Lodge of Free Masons of England, having recognized the Grand lodge of Quebec, the credentials of Sir Melbourne Tait, the representative appointed by England to the next Quebec Grand lodge, have been forwarded to Canada. Lord Amherst has been selected by the Quebec Grand lodge as representative of that Grand lodge to the next Grand lodge of England. This establishment of friendly relations between these grand lodges will, in the opinion of English Masons, lead to the affiliation of the three lodges of England in montreal, which still retain their connection with the Grand lodge in England. In high English Masonic circles the earnest hope is expressed that the three lodges will affiliate with Quebec and thus end friction that has prevailed for a long number of years between the Grand lodges of England and Quebec.

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HENRY C. HANKE.

The portrait on the first page of The Observer, is that of one of our leading business men, Henry C. Hanke.

Mr. Hanke was born in Hennepin County, Minnesota, on the farm of his father, Christopher C. Hanke, on the shore of Lake Calhoun, and is therefore a real "Native Son of Minnesota." He was educated in the public schools of Minneapolis. His early business life was spent in the lumbering business; in the camps, among the Mills and as a contractor. For the last ten years he has been heavily interested in real estate, confining himself entirely to dealing in the wild lands of Northern Minnesota, of which he has handled more than a half million acres, all of which were purchased outright from individuals or companies, and not handled on commission.

The knowledge and ripe experience which Mr. Hanke gained while clearing up the large sums in back taxes, and defective titles to these lands, he carried fresh to the duties of the office of County Treasurer when he was called to that position last December, and these have enabled him to conduct the affairs of that responsible office in a manner and with a grasp for details and system unknown to his predecessors, and to the duties of which office he devotes his entire time and personal attention.

Aside from one term in the legislature, Mr. Hanke has held no other public office than that of County Treasurer, although he has always taken an active part in politics whenever the interests of a friend or his party demanded.

Mr. Hanke resides in his own home, No. 2400 Dupont Ave. S., and his family consists of his wife and two daughters.

Mr. Hanke is a trustee of Grace Presbyterian Church and president of the Ralph Connor Club, a literary and social organization.

Mr. Hanke is an active member of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, A. F. and A. M., of Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. and S. M., Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, K. T., and of the Scottish Rite Bodies and Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine.

Helena, Montana, Masons guaranteed a fund of $5,000, to secure the location of the Home near that city; a ranch consisting of 590 acres has been purchased and $25,000 will be expended in buildings this year.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

J. G. Graves, Tyler of Ark Lodge, No. 176, reported sick, is improving.

Dont neglect attendance at Masonic meetings because the weather is warm.

The Masonic Library wants a seal of the University of Minnesota; who will present one?

Khurum Lodge No. 112, expects to confer the Master Mason degree Friday night, Aug. 3.

Tickets to the K. T. picnic Aug. 7, to which all Master Masons and their families are invited, only $1.00.

By keeping a file of the Observer you will have a brief history of the principal Masonic events in Minnesota.

L. A. Countryman of Ark Lodge and Chapter has been spending a two weeks vacation at Lake Kempeska and Watertown, S. D.

Cataract Lodge, No. 2, will confer the Fellow Craft degree at a special, Thursday, Aug. 2, 7:45. Refreshments will be served.

The Masonic Library is coming into more general use, for which the persistent efforts of the OBSERVER should have the credit.

Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., will confer the Royal Arch degree Monday night, 30th. All members are urged to be present, visitors invited.

Pennsylvania was represented in Minneapolis last week by Sharpless Rennard, Norristown Lodge No. 620, Norristwn, a caller at the Library.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will hold a special Tuesday night, 31st. for work on the Fellow Craft degree. Members urged to be present, visitors welcome.

Texas was represented at the Library last week, by George Jackson, Treasurer of Fort Worth Lodge No. 143, Forth Worth Chapter, No. 58, and Worth Commandery No. 19.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, R. A. M., will confer the Royal Arch degree, Friday August, 3, 7:45. The Past and Most Excellent degrees were conferred last Saturday night.

All Master Masons and their families are cordially invited to attend the Knight Tempar Picnic August 7. Tickets, including street car fare, $1.00, children under 12, half fare. Call or telephone OBSERVER office, Twin City 3819, for tickets.

The Knights Templars of this city have cordially invited transient or visiting Knights Templar who may be in the city, to attend the excursion down the Mississippi and up the St. Croix on August 7th, and a special invitation is extended to all **St. Paul Sir Knights** and their ladies, who desire to join the Minneapolis contingent for a day of pleasure.

It is the purpose of the committees having the matter in charge to bring about a closer unity of the Commaneries, Knights Templar, in this City, and to encourage more intimate social relations and personal acquaintance with the Sir Knights of St. Paul, and others who may be visiting in the city at the time. All will be assured of a delightful outing, and pleasant associations on "The Red Letter Day" August 7th, 1906.

The success of the **Knights Templar Excursion** and picnic to be held August 7th, is apparently an assured fact. The various committees having the function in charge have been working assiduously to get up an attractive program, and to plan the trip in such a way as will result in giving to members of the fraternity, their families and friends, an outing that will long be remembered.

Tickets can be obtained from any prominent member and worker of either of the three Commanderies.

The price of the tickets $1.00, is so low, that no one will feel that he is taking any chances on getting the worth of his investment.

The boat will leave the Minnehaha landing promptly at 9 o'clock A. M. and the St. Paul landing at 9:30.

The trip down the river in the early morning will be enjoyable whether it is hot or cool, and the moonlight ride returning will cap the climax after a restful or strenuous day.

If you want to go, secure your tickets early. The prospect is that the demand for tickets will be greater than the supply.

Arcana began the work of the week with the Master Mason degree, opening at 3:45 p. m. Monday, with a class of four; work was continued till six and called off till eight, at which hour it was resumed with an attendance of seventy. W. H. Ronald, W. M., was in the East with H. A. Sauer, S. W., W. A. Gulick in the dual capacity of J. W., and S. D., J. A. Coryell as J. D., L. C. Larson and N. S. Stedman as Stewards, A. J. Morrill, J. D., at the lantern, and Bro. Wilson, Tyler. E. N. Bowles of Covert Lodge No. 11, Omaha, Neb., assisted in the afternoon as J. W., and on the floor in the evening. Bro. S. B. Washburn of No. 112 delivered the charge and in connection with the W. M., gave the second section of the lecture, W. M., Ronald giving the third section with the aid of the lantern. Grand Lodge was represented by W. P. Roberts, S. G. W. Other visitors were W. C. Allen, Geo. D. Adams, I. N. Craig of Minneapolis, No. 19, W. C. Watson, F. L. Thompson, C. H. McVey, Henry Osgood, C. H. Morey, Cataract, No. 2, W. H. Hoit, Hennepin, No. 4, G. M. Dempsie, D. H. Shol, L. A. Wooley, E. H. Cosman, Minnesota, No. 224, Frank C. Smith, Khurum, No. 112, J. H. Ludwig; Triune, No. 190, Merriam Park, J. H. Heisser, Ark, No. 178, Walter J. Allen, Center, No. 97, Meriden, Conn., I. B. Record, No. 20, Milbank, S. D., Geo. E. Warner, St. John, No. 3, Bridgeport, Conn., Thos. E. Reiner, Charleston, No. 35, Ill., John Tankersley, Tippecanoe, No. 492, La Fayette, Indiana, W. F. Tankersley, Garfield, No. 569, Indiana, W. J. Bear, Wausau, Wis., C. E. Bird, Chain Lake, No. 64, Fairmont, Minn., and L. M. Miller, W. M., Lansing, Mich.

After the work was concluded, ice cream, cake, berries, lemonade and cigars were served and several visitors were called on and the usual remarks made.

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DANIEL COXE.

The following resolution was adopted by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey March 22, 1906: **Whereas,** The first Provincial Grand Master of Masons in the Province of America was Daniel Coxe, of New Jersey, who was commissioned to that office by Earl of Norfolk, the Grand Master of England, in 1730; and

Whereas, The said Daniel Coxe, who was a leading citizen of the Province of New Jersey, its principal landed proprietor, and a Judge of its Supreme Court, lies buried in the floor of St. Anne's Church, in Burlington, New Jersey since 1739, without mark to indicate his distinguished position in the History of Masonry in the United States; therefore,

Resolved, That the Grand Master of the State of New Jersey be authorized to provide a bronze tablet, with appropriate inscription (to be satisfactory to the Rector of the Parish of St. Mary's, Burlington) and install the same on or near the grave of the said Provincial Grand Master Daniel Coxe, to honor his memory and to indicate his last resting place.

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STATED.
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STATED.
Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
SPECIAL.
Cataract Lodge, No. 2. (Minneapolis.)
Work in F. C. degree.

FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
St. Paul No. 3, (St. P.) Maa. Hall.
Minnehaha Chap. O. E. S. No. 37, Lake and Bloomington.
Zuhrah'a Ladiea, Maa. Tem., 2:30 p. m.
SPECIAL.
Khurum 112, Mas. Tem., 2d floor.
Work in M. M. degree.
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FREEMASONRY IN MINNESOTA.

The only passage relating to incorporating the Grand Lodge which appears in the proceedings of the first session, is the following: "On motion, Resolved, That 500 copies of the Proceedings of the Convention, Constitution, ByLaws, and Act of Incorporation of this Grand Lodge, be published for its use."

An act to incorporate was approved March 5th, 1853. The incorporators named in the Act were the Grand Master, Grand Wardens and Trustees; D. B. Loomis, J. C. Ramsey, E. Case and A. T. C. Pierson being named as such Trustees. Grand Master Ames, in his address to the second annual communication mentions the Act of Incorporation in these words: "Since our last Annual Communication, the Legislature passed an act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota." I caused it to be printed with the Proceedings of our Grand Lodge." In the Act the incorporators are declared "to be a body politic and corporate, by the name and style of "The Grand Lodge of Minnesota." Throughout all the early proceedings the Lodge is designated by a charter, the word "Lodge" seldom appearing.

The second annual communication was opened on the first Monday, the 2d. of January, 1854, all the grand officers except the G. J. W., G. Treas., G. J. D., G. S. B., and G. Tyler, being present. The three Lodges, St. John's No. 1, Cataract, No. 2, and St. Paul, No. 3, were represented. Hennepin Lodge, U. D., represented by its W. M., S. W., and J. W., is classed among the "Visitors."

In his address Grand Master Ames announces the recognition of Grand Lodge by the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Wisconsin, Ohio, Maine, Missouri, Iowa, Vermont, Indiana, Georgia, Massachusetts and Maryland, and the receipt of very warm congratulations from the Grand Lodges of Wisconsin, Illinois and Ohio, from which bodies the first three subordinate lodges received their first charters.

Attention is called to the organization in St. Paul, last month, of a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, and he congratulates the fraternity on its establishment.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4.

Grand Master reported having granted a dispensation to Hennepin Lodge, Minneapolis, June 21, 1853. The committee on Lodges U. D. reported a resolution instructing the Grand Secretray to issue a charter to Hennepin Lodge, No. 4; upon the question the G. M., G. S. W., G. S., (probably Grand Secretary) G. C., G. S. D., G. M., St. John's Lodge No. 1 and Cataract Lodge No. 2, voted affirmatively, the D. G. M., and St. Paul Lodge No. 3, voting negatively; a motion by the D. G. M. to lay the resolution on the table was lost by the same vote and Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until eight o'clock A. M., Jan. 3. Upon re-assembling the first question was on the adoption of the resolution of the committee on Work of Lodges U. D., which carried, ten in favor, 1, D. G. M., voting in the negative, St. Paul Lodge No. 3, not voting.

Ancient Landmark No. 5.

A petition was presented for a charter to Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, to which no dispensation had been issued; the resolution to issue a charter was carried by a vote of 11 to 1, the D. G. M. casting the negative vote and St. Paul Lodge No. 2, not voting. Grand Lodge was called to refreshment until 3 o'clock P. M., and after calling on, the "the credentials of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5" were presented. "to-wit: At a meeting of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5, held at their Lodge room in St. Paul, January 3, 1854, P. M., Andrew Chatfield was elected W. M., I. P. Wright, S. W., and A. T. C. Pierson, J. W., and the several officers were installed in their respective offices at 12 o'clock M., in Ample Form"; which was received and the Representatives permitted to take their seats. A. T. C. Pierson appeared as the representative of this Lodge.

Report of Grand Secretary.

In Account with Grand Lodge:

To dues from Hennepin Lodge, U. D.	$ 22.00
To amount received for Dispensation from Hennepin Lodge	22.00
To amount received for Charter from Hennepin Lodge	25.00
To amount received for Charter from Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5	45.00
To dues received from Cataract Lodge, No. 2	46.50
To dues received from St. John's Lodge No. 1	10.00
	$170.50

Contra.

By order No. 1, for the following items:

Amount paid Constans & Co., for Express charges on G. L. Seal	$ 3.00
Amount paid LeDuc for 13 qrs. Blank Books	9.75
Amount paid G. D. Bowman, for printing 500 copies of Proceedings and Constitution of Grand Lodge	50.00
Amount paid Combs for 3 yds. Vellum	2.35
	$65.00

Leaving a balance of $105.50, which sum, as there was no appropriation for "current or incidental expenses," should have been placed in the Grand Charity Fund, as provided by Sec. 1, Art. IV. of the Constitution.

From the above report it will be seen that St. Paul Lodge No. 3, paid no dues; there is nothing in the proceedings to show the work done by the other Lodges. Sec. 3, Art. III, of the Constitution provides that "The Grand Lodge shall have power to make the following assessments upon

Subordinate Lodges, for the purposes of revenue, viz: The sum of $1.00 for each Degree conferred by said Subordinate Lodge, and 50 cents annually for each member," from which it would appear that this power was not exercised against St. Paul Lodge No. 3.

Grand Chaplain, Rev. J. S. Chamberlain, delivered a short oration which was ordered to be published.

Alfred E. Ames was elected Grand Master, D. F. Brawley, D. G. M., A. Van Vorhes, G. S. W., and A. T. C. Pierson, G. J. W., the other officers being appointed by the Grand Master. Emanuel Case was re-appointed Grand Treasurer, although a typographical error names him Grand Master, and Henry Reynolds was appointed Grand Secretary. The Grand Master was appointed delegate to the Grand Masonic Convention to be held at Washington, D. C., in January, 1855.

Evidently the Grand Lodge was not satisfied with its Constitution as, on motion of A. T. C. Pierson, a committee was appointed to revise it.

The third grand annual communication was opened at St. Paul, January 1st., 1855, at 2 o'clock, P. M. The proceedings show that the Grand Lodge asembled in Masonic Hall, when a Lodge of Master Masons was opened, D. G. M., D. F. Brawley, presiding, "Preparatory to opening the Grand Lodge——and for the purpose of enabling the Grand Secretary to ascertain if Representatives from a constitutional number of Lodges were present, the Lodge was called from labor to refreshment." A constitutional number being present the Lodge was called to labor and, after prayer, the D. G. M. "declared the M. W. Grand Lodge—opened in due form." It appears from the record that Grand Master Ames was in Washington as a delegate to the Masonic Convention to which he had been elected at the last session. A motion for the appointment of a committee to report a code of rules and regulations for the government of subordinate lodges during trials, was adopted by a vote of 18 to 4; the Past D. G. M., and St. Paul Lodge No. 3, voting in the negative.

Because, under the constitution, it was not necessary for an appointive officer to be either a Past Master, Past Grand Officer or the representative of a lodge under this jurisdiction, Judge Goodrich, who was the negative voter named herein as the P. D. G. M., offered the following: "Resolved, That no brother who now is, or hereafter may be, appointed by the Grand Master of this Grand Lodge to fill any place therein, shall be entitled to vote therein by virtue of said appointment." This was lost by a vote of 7 to 15; the P. D. G. M., St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, and Hennepin Lodge No. 4, voting in favor of the resolution.

A charter was issued to Shakopee Lodge No. 6, which appears to have been working under dispensation, although there is no record of it.

Several brethren petitioned for a charter for a new Lodge to be known as Mount Moriah, located in St. Paul; this was referred to a committee which made an unfavorable report which was adopted. The committee on revision of the constitution was instructed to print their graft, to send copies to all subordinate lodges and defer the report until the next annual communication. Sec. 3 of Art. II, of the constitution was construed that no subordinate lodge shall pay dues for their members who have been initiated within the Masonic year. Under this construction $1.00 was returned to No. 1, and $3.87 to No. 5. There being a question as to the legality of the election of the W. M. of Cataract Lodge, No. 2, a committee was appointed to inquire into the proceedings; this committee reported "That the W. M. of said Lodge, though worthy and well skilled in our art, yet has never served the requisite time as Warden. That, while they strongly deprecate as unmasonic, the custom of electing to the Oriental chair any one who has not previously served the proper time as Warden, still, in consideration of the circumstances, the former Master refusing to act, the Warden having demitted, etc., they believe the case of Cataract Lodge, No. 2, to have been a case of great emergency, and recommend that the excuse offered be accepted in the present case." Which was adopted. The committee on foreign correspondence submitted a report which was referred to a select committee of three; this committee reported "that in their opinion, the said report is not strictly in conformity with Masonic usage," and recommended that it be recommitted, which was done. The report was not heard of again during this session. The report of the committee appointed to prepare a code of laws for trials, was adopted.

The receipts for this year amounted to $325.37, of which No. 1, paid $13.00, No. 2, $56.00, No. 3, $64.00, No. 4, $61.00, No. 5, $83.67, and No. 6, $45.00; the expenditures amounted to, $71.87, leaving $359.00 in the treasury.

Moses Sherburne was elected Grand Master, A. T. C. Pierson, D. G. M., C. T. Stearns, S. G. W., and A. Van Vorhes, G. J. W., the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary reappointed.

Judge Goodrich appeared to have a suspicion that there had been infringement of the constitution, laws or land marks, so offered a resolution that a committee of three be appointed to inquire into and report whether any such irregularities had obtained "in and by this Grand Lodge or its officers, in its administration, during the past two Masonic years; and if so report the same." The elective officers were appointed a committee to audit demands against the G. L., and were empowered to allow the G. S. reasonable compensation, and to appropriate a sum for the purchase of G. L. Jewels. The order of the G. M. was to be sufficient warrant for the payment of funds; the Grand Tyler was allowed $3.00 per day for services. There was no address from the Grand Master. (Note. St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Stillwater, was granted a dispensation October 12, 1850, and a charter, June 9, 1852, by the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin. Cataract Lodge, No. 2, was granted a dispensation in 1852, and a charter, October 5, 1852, by the Grand Lodge of Illinois. St. Paul Lodge, No. 3, was granted a dispensation August 4, 1852, and a charter, January 24, 1853, by the Grand Lodge of Ohio.)

At its recent session the Masonic Veteran Association of South Dakota elected thirteen members; it now has 109 members. The new members with name of mother lodge, are: Thomas K. Peck, Hudson, 510, Ohio; Samuel G. Black, Mad River, 121, Ohio; William A. Burnham, Palestine, 114, Wis.; Geo. C. Briggs, Jacksonville, Vt.; Henry M. Carroll, Capron, 575, Ill.; Henry C. Smith, Bradford, 129, Iowa; Edward Ashley, Faribault, 9, Minn.; Frank S. Emerson, Minnehaha, 5, S. D.; Charles Barrett, Shannon, Ill.; Edgar S. Knowles, Minnehaha, 5, S. D.; Frank D. Fitts, Lena, 174, Ill.; Hosmer H. Keith, Hamilton, 79, N. Y.; Henry T. Corson, Minnehaha, 5, S. D.

A good record. Past Grand Master David H. Wright, Wisconsin, first visited that Grand Lodge in 1857; he was present in 1859 as Senior Warden of his lodge, and has been present at every session since.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The new chapter O. E. S. was instituted at Groton, S. D., July 26, by W. G. M. Mrs. C. N. Harris.

Several Eastern Star Ladies will be at the Hall on the sixth floor of the Masonic Temple, daily during Grand Encampment week, for the purpose of receiving Eastern Star visitors and showing them over the Temple.

Mrs. Elizabeth Butler of Chicago, died at her home Friday, July 13. Mrs. Butler was the oldest member of the O. E. S. in Chicago, the founder of Butler chapter, and at one time worthy grand matron of the U. S.

Palestine Chapter, No. 112, O. E. S., will hold its stated session Monday, night, 13th. It is expected that Mrs. Lorraine J. Pitkin, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, of Chicago, will be present.

Thursday night, 16th, the Chapter will have a special session, at which the R. W. G. S. will be present, and to which a special invitation has been issued to all of the Grand Officers and the officers of all Chapters of the Order in Minneapolis and St. Paul, and to which all members of the Order, residents and visitors, are invited. The degrees will be conferred and refreshments will be served.

Gallilee Chapter, O. E. S., Buffalo, Minn., gave a fine entertainment on July 25, in the Masonic Temple. Addresses and music were of high order; at the close refreshments were served. The Masonic Bodies of Buffalo are beautifully housed and doing good work. Many members of the summer school attended the entertainment. The Masonic Quartet sang and Mrs. Paul Little played two exquisite numbers.—Cor.

ORDER OF AMARANTH.

Mistletoe Court, No. 1, O. of A. will entertain at cards, Thursday afternoon, Aug. 9, at 2:30. A picnic supper will be served at 6:30. Convocation, 7:30.—Annie M. Keiler, Sec.

Fremasonry and Crime.

It has often been charged that Masons are bound by obligations to protect the members and shield them from punishment for crimes; that this is false is so well known that we should not now mention the matter were it not that a writer in the Irish Pennsylvanian, Pittsburgh, Pa., June 16, 1906, asserts the truth of the charge. He says: "Masonic oaths pledge its members to commit most unlawful and unchristian deeds; to conceal each other's crimes; to deliver each other from difficulty whether right or wrong." He further says: "It is true that a Royal Arch companion does swear that he will espouse the cause of a companion when engaged in any difficulty so far as to extricate him as such, **murder and treason not excepted.**" Numerous cases to the contrary might be cited, but one is sufficient. The following is from the records of Hamilton Lodge, No. 120, Hamilton, N. Y. "On the 16th. day of April of this year (1806) rumors of an unfavorable nature were circulated against a prominent member of the Lodge, who up to that time had borne an irreproachable character. A committee was appointed to investigate; the committee reported him guilty of the charge. He was consequently expelled from the Lodge. The committee, with members of the Lodge, were the first to enter complaint and have him arrested. He was subsequently indicted, tried, found guilty, and suffered the penalty of his crime on the gallows."

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The Iowa law permits any officer of a lodge to resign at his pleasure.

The net increase in Iowa lodges for year ending June 1, 1,007; total membership, 36,736.

The Quarterly Bulletin, the official organ of the Grand Lodge of Iowa is to be issued bi-monthly.

Alvin Rollins, W. M. of Cement Lodge, No. 567, Burr Oak, Iowa, resides at Prosper, Minn.

The Masons and Eastern Stars, of Aitkin, Minn., with their families held their annual picnic Wednesday, Aug. 1, on the shore of Mille Lacs at Nichols.

Make your lodge fully as comfortable and inviting as any other place you frequent, and then use them, both for the business of the lodge and festival or informal occasions.—Iowa Com.

William Fiske Cleveland, Grand Master, Iowa, was born at Waterville, Oneida Co., N. Y.; he received the lodge degrees in Sauger Lodge, N. 129, N. Y.; the capitular degrees in Nashville, Tenn., and the Orders of Knighthood at New Orleans, La. He is a P. G. H. P., P. G. M of R. & S. M., P. G. Com. K. T., and is General Grand Marshal of the General Grand Council, R. & S. M.

The records of Union Lodge No. 114, Ovid, N. Y., have the following: "At a meeting held at Farmerville, September 11, 1849, it was resolved, that this Lodge hold an extra meeting at this place to confer honorary degrees upon beloved wives and daughters." There is nothing to indicate the nature of the degrees or that they were conferred. This Lodge has a gavel made from a piece of wood taken from the U. S. battleship Maine; the metal plate attached is from metal taken from the Spanish warship Vizcaya.

The oldest member of a Masonic lodge in Minnesota, the man who established the first Masonic lodge in Dakota territory, the first mayor of the city of Fargo, is lying at the point of death in Portland, Ore.

He is Captain George Egbert, who went to Fargo, N. D. in pioneer days from Minnesota and several years afterwards went to the coast. For thirteen years he has been connected with the United States court at Portland. He was stricken with apoplexy recently and because of the fact that he is 86 years of age, it is doubtful if he will recover.

The captain was a striking character of the early days of Fargo and many stories are related of his administration as the first mayor.

Distinguished Members.

If the records of Masonic Lodges were searched many distinguished men would be found enrolled thereon. The records of Hamilton Lodge, No. 120, New York, the a fair sample; they enroll the names of two Major Generals, U. S. A., a Captain, Surgeon, Chaplain and Colonel, U. S. V., Civil War, 16 State Senators and Assemblymen, one Governor, Jams W. Nye of Nevada, Supreme Court Judge, U. S. Senator, N. M. Littlejohn, Postmaster General, Thomas L. James, Two Congressmen, and numerous minor officials and University Professors, one Grand Master and numerous D. D. G. Masters.

That temperance legislation in the Lodge is not of recent origin is proven by many old records. Sec. 3, of the by-laws adopted by Glenns Falls Lodge, No. 121, N. Y., chartered June 8, 1847, provides: "No member or candidate shall be admitted as a member of this Lodge who shall make, buy, sell or use as a beverage any spirituous or malt liquors, wine or cider."

Feb. 16, 1848, the following resolution was adopted: "That the members of this Lodge attend the Temprance Celebration on the 22d. as temperance men."

NEW JERSEY.

The 119th. annual was held in Trenton, March 21 and 22. Minnesota's representative, R. W. Edward Venable, was present. Membership Jan. 1, 1905, 23,487; raised, 1,982, affiliated, 251, restored, 95, died, 395, demitted, 252, suspended for n. p. d. 192, expelled, 3; membership Jan. 1, 1906, 24, 973. Lodges represented, 170, unrepresented, 6, extinct, 5. Grand secretary reported "all returns received and found to be correct in every particular." A white satin apron trimmed with blue, formerly worn by Aaron D. Woodruff, Grand Master of Masons of New Jersey from 1805 to 1817, and the first Master of Trenton Lodge No. 5, was presented to grand lodge. Grand Master reported the granting of dispensations to 72 lodges to confer degrees on more than one candidate at a time. The Masonic Home committee reports the number of inmates in that institution to be 69, an increase of 4, and the per capita cost of maintaining the home to be $198.71. Grand Secretary, Ehlers, of New York, and Grand Master Handy, of Delaware, were present and addressed Grand Lodge. The Washington matter came up by the recommendation of Grand Master for renewal of intercourse; after the jurisprudence committee had reported adversely the report was laid over till next year. The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized although the committee made an adverse report. William Godber, eighty four years old, made a Mason in 1843, now an active member of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Newark, was present and introduced to Grand Lodge. The largest lodge is Northern, No. 25, Newark, 586 members; the smallest, Medford No. 178, Medford, 30 members.

William S. Silvis, late a member of Newport Lodge, No. 118, A. F. & A. M., died July, 22. He was buried with Masonic and Military honors by his Lodge and by Acker Post, No. 21, G. A. R., St. Paul, of which he was a member.

Bro. Silvis was born near Pittsburgh, Pa., July 29, 1832; he received the Masonic degrees in King Hiram, Lodge, No. 31, Jordan, Minn., from which he demitted, joining Newport Lodge, No. 118, Feb. 11, 1881. He enlisted in Co. I, 8th. Minn., Vol. Infantry, afterwards being promoted to rank of Captain, and served until December, 1864. His Lodge passed resolutions of respect at the communication of July 30. His surviving family consists of widow, four sons and two daughters.

ON HIGH HILLS OR IN LOW VALES.

Bottineau, North Dakota, Masons and their visitors were treated to a sight seldom witnessed by the fraternity of conferring degrees out in the woods, with only the trees to shut out the eyes of the world and the canopy of Heaven for a cover, on Tuesday, July 24.

The event has been looked forward to for some time, and all preparations had been made to make the affair a success. Oak Island in the center of Lake Metigoshe, half a mile from shore, is heavily timbered with oak trees. In the center of this island a square of one hundred feet each way had heen cleared of the underbrush and in this square the ancient emblems of the order were set up.

The M. M. degree was conferred on three candidates. The first was Rev. Roe of Westhope, the work being done by the members of Westhope Lodge. The lodge was opened at 10:30 in the forenoon, and the work was completed at 1:15. Refreshment was served, and at 3 o'clock Bottineau lodge began the work of conferring the degree upon J. F. Frazer and John McCaughna, finishing about 6:30.

The Masons returned to the shore, where a banquet was enjoyed with the ladies and friends.

After the banquet, they returned to the island, and the ceremony of closing the lodge was performed by the light of a huge bonfire.

Prominent masons were present from Omemee, Willow City, Souris, Westhope, Antler, Rugby and Deloraine. About one hundred and sixty were in attendance.

The weather was ideal for the occation, except an occasional shower of rain.

It is said to be the intention to hold these meetings annually hereafter.

A site for the new $100,000 Masonic Temple at St. Paul, Minn., has been purchased at a cost of $15,000, at the corner of West Sixth street and Smith avenue, having a frontage of 120 feet on the street and 150 feet on the avenue. Work will begin within 60 days.

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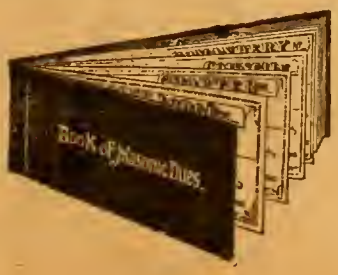
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Prof. Liberati is a Noble of the Mystic Shrine.

The Masonic Temple will be elaborately decorated during encampment week.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, received one petition and elected one candidate last Wednesday.

This is simply to notify those who are in arrears that **All Dues** are payable in advance.

Sickness and absence of candidates compelled Cataract No. 2, to call off the work set for last Thursday.

The Scottish Rite Bodies will entertain all visiting members of the rite, Tuesday afternoon and evening, Aug. 14.

F. Alex. Stewart, who has been ill since June, and has been camping in Northern Minnesota recently, is at home and much improved.

Illinois was represented at Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, last Wednesday by C. L. Montgomery, W. M. of Blue Mound Lodge, No. 682.

The office of Geo. E. Young, Secretary of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, is at 530 Temple Court, where he will be pleased to meet any of the brethren.

Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree, Wednesday night, 8th. Members are requested to be present and visitors will be welcome.

A daughter of Mrs. Geo. W. Brooks, widow of the late Geo. W. Brooks, of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, is seriously sick at the home, 2007, 4th. St. S.; friends are invited to call.

Alex. Gardner, Jr., 616 Masonic Temple, will keep open house during encampment week, where he will be "at home" to all Master Masons and Eastern Stars, and to each caller he will give a souvenir.

It is probable that Imperial Potentate Clayton will be entertained by Zuhrah Temple this week if he can be induced to tarry a day. Illustrious Potentate, John S. Dodge, has the matter in charge.

Walter H. Cobban, E. C. of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, K. T., has returned from a three weeks outing at his summer home, "Shore Acres," in Cass Co. "Hard as nails in fine fettle for the foot race on the 7th."

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, will confer the Master Mason degree at the stated communication, Wednesday, 15th., and the Fellow Craft degree Wednesday, 22d. The M. M. degree will be conferred during State Fair week, also.

Routine business at stated communications of the Lodge can be enlivened by music. John A. Schlener, since becoming the acting W. M. of No. 19, has added this feature, and now the pipe organ and singing is heard at all meetings.

Everybody is going to the K. T. picnic and river trip, Tuesday, 7th. All Master Masons and their families are invited. A whole day of fun for $1.00. Steamer leaves Minnehaha landing at 9, and St. Paul at 9:30. Secure tickets in advance from **The Observer,** Voegeli's, Schlener's or any Knight Templar.

At the twelfth annual convention of the commercial law league of America, at Ashville, N. C., Aug. 2, Henry Deutch was elected third vice president and E. P. Allen member of the executive committee, both are well known Minneapolis Attorneys and Masons.

The Observer is growing, thanks to the Masonic Lodges of Minneapolis; it is now being mailed to the members of Hennepin, No. 4, Minneapolis, No. 19, Minnehaha, No. 165, Ark, No. 176, Areana, No. 187, and Minnesota, No. 224, and to Minnehaha Chapter, No. 37, O. E. S. Among so large a number of members changes of residence are frequent, and it is desired that all such shall be reported promptly. Use our telephone.

The Masonic Excursion under the auspices of the Knight Templar Commanderies of Minneapolis, promises to be the greatest outing ever planned for the fraternity. So great has been the demand for tickets that the committee has been compelled to arrange for another steamer in order that there shall be no crowding. Under the present arrangements there will be room for all. Get into the game and have a good time; make this your red letter day for the season.

Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., had a record attendance at its meeting, July 27, the occasion being a special election for Recorder and Oriental Guide. Frank H. Forbes, the well known Basso of the Masonic Quartet, was elected Recorder, and Frank J. Meyst, T. I. M. of Adoniram Council, No. 5, R. & S. M., the well known "East Sider," was elected Oriental Guide, and both were installed by Past I. P., John A. Schlener, with the assistance of Noble Fred M. Hutchinson. The recorder's office is at 704 Masonic Temple.

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CORNER STONE.

The corner-stone of the new temple for Mesaba lodge, No. 255, A. F. and A. M., Hibbing, Minn., was laid July 27, with appropriate ceremony in the presence of 300 or more Masons, including a number of grand lodge officers.

Assembling at Close's hall at 2 in the afternoon, the local and visiting Masons, headed by the grand lodge officers, marched to the site of the proposed temple, corner of Third avenue and Mahoning street. In the procession were 50 from Duluth, 40 from Eveleth, 25 from Virginia, 10 from Grand Rapids, and smaller delegations from other towns on the range and elsewhere in the state.

The ceremony was very impressive and was witnessed by a large number of local people not members of the order.

In the evening the Master Mason degree was exemplified at a special meeting in Close's hall. Following this, Mesaba lodge served a banquet in honor of the guests and the occosion.

Among the grand lodge officers present were the following: Most Worshipful Grand Master Thomas Morris, of Crookston; Grand Secretary Thomas Montgomery, of St. Paul; Deputy Grand Master G. Widell; Grand Senior Warden, W. P. Roberts; Grand Senior Deacon, S. L. Frazier; Grand Marshall, W. H. Hendrickson; Grand Sword Bearer, W. A. Nolan; Past Grand Master, W. A. McGonagle; District Deputy Grand Master, L. A. Barnes, of Duluth; Grand Orator, E. C. Clemens of Duluth.

The new temple is being constructed of brick, and will afford a commodious and elegant home for the lodge. It is to be two stories in height, 32x80 feet on the ground, with a basement under the entire building. When completed and furnished it will represent the expenditure of about $10,000.

The Grand Lodge og Manitoba laid the corner-stone of the new English church at Solsgirth, July 23.

Lodge Directory.

BLUE LODGE.

Cataract 2, (Mpls.) 1st Sat., 20-22 Univ. av. S. E. Frank L. Gowen, W. M. W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Av. S. E.

ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendrickson, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

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The Flag Goes By.

Hats off!
Along the street there comes
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums.
A flash of color beneath the sky;
Hats off!
The flag is passing by!

Blue and crimson and white it shines,
Over the steel-tipped, ordered lines.
Hats off!
The colors before us fly;
But more than the flag is passing by.

Sea-fights and land-fights, grim and great,
Fought to make and save the State:
Weary marches and sinking ships;
Cheers of victory on dying lips;

Days of plenty and years of peace;
March of a strong land's swift increase;
Equal justice, right and law;
Stately honor and reverend awe;

Sign of a nation, great and strong
To ward her people from foreign wrong;
Pride and glory and honor,—all
Live in the colors to stand or fall.

Hats off!
Along the street there comes
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums;
And loyal hearts are beating high;
Hats off!
The flag is pasing by!

Henry Holcomb Bennett.



THE K. T. OUTING.

The much heralded third annual outing of the Tri-Commanderies Association of Minneapolis took place last Tuesday, and was in every way a success. The steamer C. W. Cowles, Capt. George Winans in command; with a large covered Barge, left Minnehaha with about 600 passengers, and steaming to St. Paul took on about 100 more, together with the

St. Paul News' Newsboys' Band, E. B. Palmer, Leader.

The happy party was conveyed to an ideal picnic ground in the open forest on the river bank, about seven miles above Hastings, where a landing was made, and the program of games was carried out as advertised. The boat then steamed to Hastings and returned to St. Paul, where chartered cars in waiting carried all to their homes, after a thoroughly enjoyable outing, long to be remembered by all present.

The day was perfect for such an occasion; although the party was large the boat was not crowded; there being ample room for promenading and dancing.

The band played popular airs, and Kelsey's string orchestra furnished the best of music for dancing, playing popular music during intermissions, and was frequently and loudly applauded. The old reliable Masonic Quartet was in great demand, frequently surrounded by groups calling for their favorite songs, to all of which the Quartet cheerfully responded.

The committees in charge were warmly congratulated upon the success with which the affair was conducted. Sir Knights Bonniwell, Cobban and Ells, the committee on arrangements, looked after the welfare of all and left nothing undone to add to their entertainment.

Races and Games.

The Ladies' running race, for which there were 25 entries, was won by Nellie Van Rickley, Grace Bronson and Mrs. Anna Will, in the order named, Mrs. Will winning from her competitor in cutting for a tie.

The Misses' race, for girls over 12 and under 21, was won by Sadie Van Rickley, Aurilla Friend and Helen Harrison, in the order named, there being 20 entries.

The girls race, 12 and under, was won by Marguerite Voegeli, Phara Wernecke and Geraldine Horrigan. Tom says "The way that girl can run beats the Dutch."

Married Ladies' ball throwing, Mrs. C. F. Richardson, 1st., Mrs. A. Will, 2d., 3d, to be announced, the winner being a Miss.

Girls ball throwing, Miss Hattie Yorgey, 1st., Aurilla Friend, 2d., Phara Wernecke, 3d.

Fat Man's race, C. Z. Nelson, 1st., R. F. Benjamin, 2d., Geo. W. Arenberg, 3d.

Young Men's race, Robert Pearce, 1st., E. Z. Wanous, 2d., L. H. Lucker, 3d.

Eminent Commander's race was won by W. H. Cobban of Mounted No. 23.

The Boy's Pie eating contest was won by Walter Turnquist, Robert Houghton and Carlisle Fay, in order named.

Boy's running race, Fred Fournie, 1st., Elmer Griswold, 2d., Harry McCluskey, 3d.

Past Commander's race, John Friend, 7, 1st., B. H. Timberlake, 7, 2d., J. G. Honghton, 23, 3d.

The **Observer's** representative was able to gather the names of the following individuals and group parties who were present, it being impossible to secure the names of, or identify all. E. C. Bonniwell; Eminent Commander W. N. Cobban and wife; James F. Ells, wife and daughter; Grand Generalissimo C. E. Ovenshire, wife and daughter, H. F. Fankhauser and wife; Thos. Voegeli, wife and daughter and Mrs. Henry Voegeli; Past Grand Commander John A. Schlener and wife, Adolph G. Schlener and wife, Judge F. V. Brown and wife and Congressman A. H. Hall made up a jolly party. Geo. H. Critten and wife; Henry C. Hanke and Miss Helen Harrison; W. H. Lyon, Mrs. Green Leighton and Miss Anderson; Jas. G. Houghton, wife, son and daughter; C. C. Cramer, W. M. of Ark Lodge, and A. W. Mertens; Chas. G. Laybourn and wife; W. H. J. Pearce, wife and son; Grand Senior Warden Wm. P. Roberts; Eminent Commander W. C. Watson and party of four; John Friend and party of six; E. H. P., Wm. Tweedie, wife and their daughter, Mrs. Green of Staples; C. E. Vancleve and Dr. S. H. Vancleve and wife; Joe. Allen, wife and daughter; W. H. Germond and wife; Dr. Shefcik and party of three; C. M. Rawitzer, wife and daughter and party consisting of W. W. Scott and wife and Allen Scott and wife, of Omaha, and W. J. Jacobs of St. Paul; Ben. Boneau, wife and daughter; Frank J. Meyst and wife; J. F. Fournie and party of four; Co. Comr. Cook, wife and two sons; W. E. Rentfrow, wife and three children; G. W. Steen and wife; Dr. C. D. Whipple and Lady; Harry Mead and wife; Dr. N. B. Patten and party of six; Geo. E. Crist and wife; C. L. Rouse and party of four, Merriam Park; C. B. Steelman and family and E. C. Noyes. Frank H. Forbes, wife and daughter, W. B. Heath and wife; W. S. Marshall and wife and D. Alvin Davies and wife, was a musical party, popular and in great demand; F. E. Barrow and wife; Frank W. Campbell and wife; Joe. Warren and wife; Frank C. Smith and wife and J. D. Tolman and wife and Miss Eddy; John Hornbrook, wife and daughter; H. A. Maas, wife and son Bert; Herbert Maas and Miss Edna Thelin; Dr. E. V. Marsh, wife and Mrs. J. A. Martin; Worshipful Master W. L. Fuedner and wife of Hopkins and Mrs. H. N. Obreen of Darien, Wis.; E. P. Wheeler, wife and Mrs. Camp; Byron H. Timberlake and wife; J. H. Johnson and Lady; Gus. Lagerquist and party of three; Dr. Geo. M. Haywood and wife; W. R. Cooper and wife; R. L. Dockeray, wife and party of three; W. Kruse and party of two; Horatio Werring and wife and J. H. Werring and wife; J. A. Benson and two; Henry Erickson; Wm. McKinney and wife; C. W. Menceilley and wife; Dr. E. Z. Wanous and wife; Dr. C. E. Dutton and wife; Leonard Paulle and wife; W. W. Rowell; A. C. Weeks and wife; Dr. Chas. H. Norred; Prof. C. C. Curtiss; John Trevor and wife; U. G. Herrick and wife; Frank Holton and wife; Wm. Simms and wife; J. B. McCluskey, wife and two children; Dr. Joseph Ridgeway and party of five; W. G. Trotman, wife and daughter; W. P. Washburn and wife; H. A. Rogers, wife and daughter; Miss Mary Hill and Mrs D. G. Black and daughter; H. A. Sauer, wife and son; Harry W. Bester and wife, Mrs. F. E. Lampson and Mrs. Hector Christian; D. C. Filkins, Miss Jessie Cushman, Dr. Chas. H. Gale and wife and Dr. A. C. Clark; A. W. Porsch and wife, Misses Gracie and Myrtle Porsch and H. O. Kendall; J. M. Rust and F. M. Parker and wife and Miss Murch; Geo. W. Armstrong and wife; W. B. Andrews, J. I. Andrews of St. Croix Lodge, No. 56, Wis., and party of three; W. H. Hilton, E. J. Thompson and wife, Mrs. Dr. Hanscom and Miss Edington; Joe. Armstrong and wife; Claude S. Richardson; T. H. Neubert, wife and daughter; Martin Peterson, S. G. Daniels; C. F. Crew and party of three; G. Dayton Adams; Ira A. Murphy; Harrison Simons and two; Dr. Pratt and two; Dr. P. M. Holl; Ben. Sheldon; A. N. Barney, Elizabeth Barney, Archie Warren and Miss Julia Barney and Miss Bessie Wescott, the two last of Lacon, Ill.; John Dorner and party; W. P. Cowles; I. B. Record; W. H. Hoit; Mrs. Annie M. Keiler and party; J. E. Brown and four, St. Paul; H. R. Weesner and party. Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. C. Z. Nelson, Clare, Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Comstock, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Reed, Miss Helen Ross, J. Y. Keeley and Miss Lucy Latchene were out for a good time

and found it. M. A. Berg. Iowa was represented by G. W. Hughes of No. 122, and Hal. Fuller of No. 572. John W. Currie; C. H. Blackwell; T. F. Barbour and two; F. R. Wilson and one. A Hopkins party was composed of W. B. Anderson, Postmaster, wife and son, Prof. Adolph Olson, H. M. Peterson, wife and daughter, Chas. Richardson and wife, B. F. Straub and wife, Miss McCormack, Miss Brenn, Miss Jepson, Miss Leameux, Mrs. and Miss Golden, Miss Agnes Nash, Arthur Nash, Wm. Leutner, Miss Tyhe, Chas. Richardson, wife and son. W. B. Wadell; Mr. and Mrs. Trinkley and Mrs. Freeman. An unattached supper party was composed of W. C. Allen, representing Minnesota and South Dakota, L. M. Miller, W. M. of No. 66, Lansing, Michigan, John Tankersley, Tyler of Lodge, Chapter and Commandery, La Fayette, Indiana,. and an ex-Confederate soldier, A. M. Kay, a P. M., and member of the Canadian volunteers during the South African War, of Alberta, Can., and F. D. Rockefeller of New York. D. K. Yorgey of St. Louis Park chaparoned a party of 6. H. C. Parlin took a day off from Post Office duties and seemed to enjoy it.

NOTES.

Geo. A. Leighton, wife, son and daughter, Mrs. John Chadwick, and Wm. Schupp and wife.

A permanent organization, subject to ratification by the Commanderies, was organized by election of the following officers: E. C. Bonniwell, President, George C. Laybourn, Vice President, Geo. W. Critten, Secretary, James G. Houghton, Treasurer.

W. H. Germond has the record for sale of tickets; he disposed of 99 whole, and 13 half tickets.

John Friend has a record of 75 tickets to his credit.

An attempt to get a rise out of A. H. Hall in the way of a speech, failed.

Mr. and Mrs. Maas maintained their reputation as caterers; in addition to free coffee and lemonade, lunch was served to all who were unprovided.

Kelsey had a good orchestra and it was kept busy by the dancers.

The Stoker said it was the most orderly and best dressed party the boat had ever carried.

The committee has a surplus.

Dr. Norred bore off the palm as a caterer; his lunch basket filled with good things of his own preparing was an attraction which the ladies could not resist and it held enough for all. The Observer representative was privileged to dine with him.

The Observer has not intentionally overlooked any one, but it was impossible to get the names of all the 700 present.

Frank H. Wilson proved himself a popular manager of the games.

Dr. Edwin Wangus, 9 Syndicate Block, photographed the K. T. excursion party, at several stages, and can supply pictures.

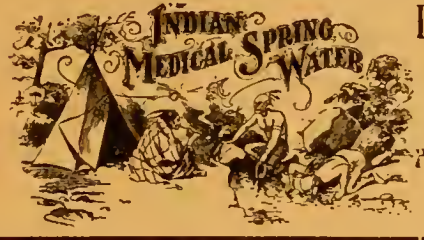
Imperial Potentate Clayton was entertained at Deadwood, S. D., July 23; he will be at Fargo, N. D., Aug. 7, where a ceremonial session will be held by El Zagal Temple; from Fargo he will go to Minneapolis and St. Paul.

Aad Temple, Mystic Shrine Duluth, held its first annual picnic last Wednesday; two steamers carried the party to the grounds at Fond du Lac.

Grand Master Thomas Morris visited the Lodge at North Branch, Aug. 2.

Grand Master Morris visited Lodges in Duluth, July 31.

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THE STUDENT SOLDIER.

The students at our colleges have ever been prompt to obey the call to arms, and at the beginning of the Spanish-American war the patriotism of the college student, which had been fostered and kept alive by the annual encampments of the veterans of the Civil War, the National Guards and the Cadet companies, was manifested by the numbers who sought admission to the ranks of the volunteer and regular armies.

As Minnesota was the first state to respond to the call in 1861, she was not tardy in answering the last call, and the students of the University of Minnesota were among the first who sought enrollment. Of the more than fifty who marched away in the full courage of young manhood, nine failed to return.

Believing that a suitable memorial should commemorate the memory of those who fell, Professor A. E. Haynes inaugurated the movement which resulted in the erection of a monument upon the campus of the University of Minnesota and which was unveiled with oppropriate ceremonies, May 30, 1906.

The **Observer,** believing that the present is a suitable occasion, has had the monument photographed and a cut made therefrom, which appears on the first page of this issue.

Following are the names of "Our Heroic Soldiers Dead": C. E. Payson Colwell, Co. A 13th Minn. Vol. Inf.; George Howard Edwards, Quarter Master Sergeant; Fred C. O. Smith, Sergt., Co. M 15th Minn. Vol. Inf.; Lt. Chas. McClure, 30th Inf. U. S. A.; T. P. A. Howe, 1st Sergt.; Sidney Pratt, Co. A 13th Minn. Vol. Inf.; Harry Locke Currier, Corp. Co. A 13th Minn. Vol. Inf.; Olaf H. Rask, 1st Lieut. Co. M 15th Minn. Vol. Inf.; August Foss, Corp. Co. H 2nd Neb. Vol. Eng's.

NECROLOGIC.

Brother R. B. Pelton, Senior Deacon of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, and family have been cast into deep mourning in the death of Beulah Ann Pelton, aged 14 years, one of the daughters of the household. The sincere sympathy of the Brethren is extended to Brother Pelton and his family.

In the field of science, matter, as understood in ordinary life, is being resolved into its elements until already it is essentially annihilated, and there is left in its place force, energy, thought, Infinite Intelligence, the Eternal Father. "Dust to dust, earth to earth, ashes to ashes," is being robbed of its terror, even through science, that deals with so-called materiality only. The dust may change in form and be resolved into its elements, but thought remains, and it does not and cannot die. Beulah Ann Pelton is not dead; for she in her real existence was and is thought, intelligence, love, and all that is spiritual, and not material, given her as an individual entity by Omnipotent Power, and these cannot die any more than the Eternal Intelligence can die.

How glorious it will be when the intelligence of man, his spiritual nature, shall have become so far evolved as to understand and overcome death. Then will have been fulfilled, here on earth, in the present existence of the life of man, the prophecy that "the last enemy that shall be destroyed is death," and the words of Paul, at present seeming almost incomprehensible, will be understood and realized, that "the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are unseen are eternal."

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The **Expositor** of Brantford, Ontario, under date of August 2, announces the death, at that place, on the 1st., of Alexander Gardner, father of Alex. Gardner, Jr., of the Masonic Temple.

Deceased was born in Montreal, March 28, 1824, was a boot and shoe manufacturer and had resided in Brantford for the last 50 years. The surviving family consists of Mrs. S. R. Potter and H. B. Gardner, Brantford, Alex. Jr., of Minneapolis, and John and George of Hamilton, Ont. The paper characterized him as a presbyterian in religion, of a retiring disposition and having many friends.

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George H. Simpson, born in Lowell, Mass., Oct. 3, 1840, died at his home in Minneapolis, August 8. He served during the Civil War in the 13th Regt. Mass. Vol. Infantry, and was a member of George N. Morgan Post, G. A. R.

Mr. Simpson came to Minneapolis in 1873. He was engaged in the Gentlemen's Furnishing business for many years and afterwards in the Laundry business as a member of the firms of Fuller & Simpson and Simpson & Henderson.

Bro. Simpson was a prominent member of the Scottish Rite Bodies of which he was treasurer for several years; for the last three years he was Almoner of the bodies.

His widow and daughter survive. The beautiful and impressive funeral service of the Rite was held at the Scottish Rite Rooms in the Masonic Temple, Friday afternoon, August 10.

IOWA.

Nearly one-fourth of the lodges in Iowa are occupying lodge rooms dedicated to Masonry, and over one-half have rooms where only Masonic bodies are permitted to meet. Ninety-two of the lodges own the lease or title to their rooms. A majority of these bodies have very carefully preserved their records from organization, 384 have complete lists of the members from date of organization; 83 are incomplete; 355 have complete records of their lodge from organization, and 108 from various causes, either of neglect or accident, have lost some of these important records. In the whole jurisdiction 50 persons have received aid from the grand charity fund controlled by the grand lodge. Sixty-five are receiving regular relief from the constituent lodges. Ten members are in public institutions for the insane, and 72 have required occasional or temporary relief from the lodges.

It is snch figures as these which enable not only members of the order, but those taking an interest in sociological facts to draw correct deductions as to the value of the organization. It clearly indicates that the 36,736 Master Masons in good standing in Iowa are doing their full share of duty in the work for which the fraternity was designated.

The Masonic Temple at Rochester, Minn., is being enlarged.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Olson of Minneapolis, were entertained by the Stars of Sanborn, N. D., July 31.

The Stars of Mantorville, Minn., gave an ice cream social Aug. 10; music was furnished by a Girl's Band.

The thimble bee announced to be held at the residence of Mrs. Wm. M. Walker, Tonka Bay, Aug. 17, has been postponed to Friday, 24th., on account of the G. A. R. encampment.

At the next regular meeting of Minnehaha Chapter, No. 37, O. E. S., Friday, Aug. 17, the evening will be devoted largely to a social time. All members of the order, and especially out of town visitors, will be welcome. Refreshments will be served.—Susan H. Hand, W. M.

Lorraine Chapter, No. 16, O. E. S. held a very pleasant meeting on the evening of the 6th., with several visitors present. The Chapter has called off until the last regular meeting in September, which will be Monday the 17th., owing to the repairs being made to the Hall. About $2,000 will be spent in decorations, carpets, etc. Upon re-assembling Lorraine will have quarters equal to any in the country.—Mary Tuttle, Cor.

Palestine Chapter, No. 112, O. E. S., will hold its stated session Monday, night, 13th. It is expected that Mrs. Lorraine J. Pitkin, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, of Chicago, will be present.

Thursday night, 16th, the Chapter will have a special session, at which the R. W. G. S. will be present, and to which a special invitation has been issued to all of the Grand Officers and the officers of all Chapters of the Order in Minneapolis and St. Paul, and to which all members of the Order, residents and visitors, are invited. The degrees will be conferred and refreshments will be served.

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Dr. L. F. Foote is on crutches, as the result of an accident.

Have you read notice of the meetings to be held this week?

We want to publish all the Masonic news; our readers can assist by sending us items.

The wife and daughter of Alex. Gardner, Jr., returned from London, Ont., yesterday.

The Masonic Library Association will give a grand concert and musical entertainment Sept. 12.

J. S. Crocker, the well known elevator man of the Masonic Temple is enjoying a vacation at the Lakes.

Ark Lodge, No. 176, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree at the stated communication, Monday, Aug. 20.

The Observer should reach every subscriber in Minneapolis and St. Paul on Monday; if you do not get it promptly telephone us.

H. W. Smollett, S. W. of Hennepin, No. 4, has returned form a vacation of a month spent in the Province of Quebec, Canada, among the "Pea Soups."

Read the notices of meetings, in our local columns and especially in the calendar on the last page; these are official and are corrected weekly.

Minnesota, 224, expected to confer the M. M. degree to morrow night; owing to the repairs being made in the Hall it is not probable that there will be work.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter, No. 3, R. A. M., exalted two in the afternoon and three in the evening of the 3d.; the attendance was good; refreshments were served.

The Observer is the official organ of Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, Minneapolis, No. 19, Minnehaha, No. 165, Ark, No. 176, Arcana, No. 187, and Minnesota, No. 224, and of Minnehaha Chapter, No. 37, O.E. S.

The Ancient and accepted Scottish Rite in Minneapolis will keep open house for visiting members of the rite, at the rooms on the fourth floor Masonic Temple, Tuesday, 14th, from 3 until 10 o'clock.

Robert J. Gault, Past Master of Ark Lodge, No. 176, and Past Commander of Zion Commandery, No. 2, is now engaged in the wholesale grocery business, a member of the firm of Sylvester Brothers Company, at Seattle, Wash.

Geo. S. Hummer, P. M. of No. 609, Sheldon, Ill., member of Watseka Chapter No. 113, and Mary Commandery, No. 162, and P. D. D. G. M., and Past Grand Senior Steward, was a visitor at Hennepin, No. 4, last Wednesday night.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, will confer the Master Mason degree at the stated communication, Wednesday, 15th., and the Fellow Craft degree Wednesday, 22d. The M. M. degree will be conferred during State Fair week, also.

Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., entertained Imperial Potentate Alvah P. Clayton, Mrs. Clayton, and party, at Lake Harriet Pavilion, last Friday evening. The pavilion was reserved for Nobles and their families and a special program arranged by Sig. Liberati who is a member of Mecca Temple.

Lorne Dean of Hennepin, No. 4, has been visiting in London, Ont., his former home, and in Toronto. He picked up a Masonic coin in an old shop in Toronto, which was struck Nov. 24, 1790, in commemoration of the election of the Prince of Wales as Grand Master.

E. W. Kittredge, the well known optician, while riding his wheel last Monday, was run down by a runaway team belonging to the American Express Co., he was knocked down and the wheels passed over him. No bones are broken and it is not expected that his injuries will be fatal.

John Tankersley, Tyler of the Masonic Bodies at La Fayette, Ind., who, with his wife, has been spending the summer with his son, W. F., returned home last Wednesday, taking with him Mrs. W. F. Tankersley who has been seriously ill.

Bro. Tankersley made many pleasant acquaintances here and hopes to return next year. He will be welcome.

This is the age of the young man. Among the young men of Minneapolis who are prominent in business and Masonry, no one is more conspicious than Geo. V. B. Hill, the well known insurance man. Mr. Hill is a Past Master of Plymouth Lodge, No. 160, and a prominent worker in the Scottish Rite. He has recently filed as a candidate for Alderman of the Third Ward.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, called a special last Wednesday and conferred the Master Mason degree on three. A. N. Chesher, J. W. was in the East, G. Dayton Adams in the West, and A. E. Clarendon in the South, with Harry W. Bester as S. D., and Sam. Goulstone as J. D. Past Masters T. D. Bell, 19, and Hugh Marchbank and S. B. Washburn, of 112, occupied seats in the East, and Prof. Gilbert presided at the pipe organ.

Captain Orlando C. Merriman, of 927, 7th. St. S. E., a member of Cataract Lodge, No. 2, was buried by the Lodge on the 6th., Darius Commandery, No. 7, K. T., furnishing an escort.

Captain Merriman was born in Somerville, N. Y., July 27, 1827, coming to St. Anthony in 1859; he was the third Mayor of Minneapolis, and for several years had been referee in bankruptcy for this district.

Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, conferred the first degree on one candidate last Wednesday; H. M. Weston, J. W., in the East, H. W. Smollett, S. W., in the West, and J. J. Bullis, W. M., in the South, Bro. Nelson, S. D., and Bro. Dempsie of No. 224, as J. D.

The work was fairly good considering that the room was torn up for repairs and the weather oppressive. The lectures were well delivered; the first by the Stewards, second by J. W. and S. D., and third by the S. W., with aid of the lantern.

Khurum Lodge, No. 112, conferred the Master Mason degree on three, Friday night, 3d.; the regular officers occupied the stations. The first lecture was given by brothers Adams and Downs, the second by brothers McFadon and Ingersoll, and the third by brother Petri with aid of the stereoptican, the Masonic Quartet rendered the musical numbers. Past Masters Cooley, Knowlton and Washburn, many members and visitors were present. Frank M. Nye addressed the candidates with remarks appropriate and instructive. Maas served refreshments. This Lodge conferred the first degree after stated business last Friday night.

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Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 6 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

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Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

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CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

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Lov'd men in blue, with falt'ring pace,
Among the noblest of our race,
We know how brave, on battle-field
The flag you bore,—our country's shield.
And then, the mighty struggle won,
You brought the flag, in honor, home,
An emblem evermore to be,
Of South and North, United! free!
A sign of hope to all the world,
Our glory whereso'er unfurled.

Heroes in blue, with hearts so true
We welcome you, thrice welcome you!
The flowers will fade, the leaves will fall,
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But, brighter shall the ages be,
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As long as the stars their bright vigils shall keep,
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FREEMASONRY IN MINNESOTA.

The fourth grand annual communication was held in the Hall of the "Minnesota Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1," St. Paul, Jan. 7, 8, 9, 10, 1856. All Lodges were represented except No. 3. facts as to a report that St. Paul Lodge No. 3, without due notice being given to the members, did, on the 7th day of January, 1856, adopt a resolution surrendering the charter of the Lodge, was laid on the table by a vote of 19 to 1. On the 9th the charter of this Lodge was surrendered and accepted. On the 10th a petition for a charter to open a Lodge in St. Paul, by the name of St. Paul Lodge, was received and referred to a select committee of 3, which cimmittee recommended that the petition be granted, that a charter be issued to the Lodge to be known as St. Paul Lodge No. 3, and that the jewels and furniture of the late Lodge be donated to the new Lodge; which was adopted. A charter was issued to Dakota Lodge No. 7. The committee on Lodges, U. D., reported, "That they have had under examination the application of Red Wing Lodge, U. D., for charter. They find that the Lodge named, has met regularly for instruction, and have practiced in the work of the three Degrees, but have made no Masons. Your committee are of the opinion that it is not necessary for a lodge under dispensation to Initiate, Pass or Raise any candidates to entitle it to a charter", and recommended that a charter be issued to Red Wing Lodge, No. 8, which was adopted.

THE DEGREE OF PAST MASTER.

Heretofore Bro. Aaron Goodrich has been in the minority and on the negative side of nearly every question, but the following preamble and resolution introduced by him were adopted: "**Whereas,** It is the opinion of this Grand Lodge that the Degree of Past Master rightfully belongs to the Master of a Lodge, and without which he cannot efficiently discharge the duties of his office, and **Whereas,** Doubts are entertained by some, whether the Master elect of a Subordinate Lodge, can receive said Degree, save in the Grand Lodge, or by dispensation from the Grand Master to one or more Past Masters, known to him as such, and **Whereas,** There is nothing in the Book of Constitutions or Ancient Landmarks which have come down to us, showing us any well defined or settled rule upon the subject, therefore be **Resolved,** That the retiring Master from the Chair of any Lodge who has been formally invested with the Degree of Past Master, may with the assistance of two or more Past Masters, confer said Degree upon his successor in office, in order to qualify him for the same, yet no such Past Master, or convocation of Past Masters, can confer said Degree in any other case or for any other purpose whatever." Thus did this monstrosity come into Minnesota Masonry and it abides with us still.

After careful consideration and discussion the Revised Constitution was unanimously adopted.

A resolution was adopted providing that the Senior Representative from each Lodge shall be entitled to his traveling expenses and a per diem of three dollars for each day's attendance, which shall be for only one Lodge in case he represents more, nor more than the dues paid by said Lodge, and to be deprived thereof if he absents himself before the close, except in case of sickness or calamity to himself or family.

The financial report shows a balance in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, of $180.82, and in the hands of the Grand Secretary, $291.24, total, $472.06.

A resolution of thanks was tendered Mrs. Pierson, for the skill, labor and beauty with which she has adorned the Grand Lodge regalia." The Grand Tyler was paid $20.00 for services.

A. T. C. Pierson was elected Grand Master, H. N. Setzer, Deputy Grand Master, Thos. Lombard, Senior Grand Warden and E. A. Hodsdon, Junior Grand Warden. E. Case was appointed Grand Secretary, and H. Reynolds, Grand Treasurer.

Again it appears from the record that only the elective officers were installed.

The Grand Master's address, being lengthy and containing matters worthy of more extended notice, will be considered in another paper.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address, recommending 'that action be taken prohibiting the use of intoxicating liquors at Lodge banquets', begs to report that it has given the matter careful consideration. It can find no indication that the Masons of Arizona are unable to control their appetites, and does not believe the use of intoxicants by the brethren is of an alarming nature. Masonry is not a prohibition society, nor is it its province to reform the world. Temperance is defined by us as a domestic and public virtue, whereby we are taught to avoid excess; but one may be intemperate in his views on the 'liquor question' as well as in other ways. Your committee commends the motives of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, but finds no reason at this time for any action by this Grand Lodge.—Arizona.

Masonry is the invaluable assistant of the State in maintaining law and order; but she cannot afford to be entangled with the machinery of the law, either affirmatively or negatively.—Hicks, G. M., Ark.

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THE EASTERN STAR.

Palestine Chapter, No. 112, O. E. S., had a largely attended meeting last Monday night, with the following visitors present: Lorraine J: Pitkin, R. W. G. S., Chicago; Mary Brown, P. G. M,. Sioux Falls, S. D.; Sue M. Simpson, John M. Simpson, Peoria, Ill.; Barbara Hodek, Joseph Hodek, Chicago, Ill.; Anna L. Snowden, Platteville, Wis.; Amelia H. Cornell, 103, Mass.; Ann E. Eastwood, 134, Ind.; Fannie D. W. Hardin, Denver, Col.; Wm. Savage, Terre Haute, Ind.; J. R. Bleasdale, Milton, Wis.; Watkin H. Williams, Scranton, Pa.; J. W. Davies, Shabbona, Ill.; C. B. Whelpley, Cedar Rapids, Ia.; Mrs. F. H. Retzloff, Cooperstown, N. D.; R. B. Brown; Mrs. M. E. Matthews, Mrs. A. A. Hammond, Wichita, Kan.; Wm. Green, John Klaus, Topeka, Kan.

Palestine conferred the degrees, held a reception for Mrs. Pitkin and served refreshments, at a largely attended meeting of members and visitors, last Thursday night.

A man who canot read and write is eligible to Masonry.—Alabama.

MASONRY AND PATRIOTISM.

That Freemasonry conduces to patriotism was never better illustrated than among the Veterans of the Civil War; nearly all of the leaders and the majority of the rank and file being members of that venerable institution. Very many of those in attendance at the National Encampment last week took occasion to look over the Masonic Temple. The Observer was privileged to meet the following: R. B. Whitsett, P. M. I. G. M., Grand Council, Ind.; C. D. Skinner, 3, Wis., F. R. Garlock, 18, Wis.; Oliver Keisen, 190, Pa.; P. S. Rudolph, 182, Minn.; R. C. Luther, 5, Wis.; Walter W. Sellers, 9, St. Louis, Mo.; Chas. H. Gove, 28, Washington, D. C.; S. R. Mountain, 405, Ohio; J. Frank Dalton, Salem, Mass.; C. B. Whelpley, 25, Iowa; L. M. Miller, W. M., 66, Lansing, Mich.; Henry Schwalm, J. D., 66, Mich.; N. W. Farrar, 347, Pa., Past Grand Patron, O. E. S. Mass.; J. M. George, 32, Ill.; M. D. Yager, 22, Ill.; Chas. B. Seliger, 7, Me.; Stephen A. Crane, 32, Mich.; J. D. Calehan and T. W. Ruete, 125, Iowa; R. M. Pressey, 135, Iowa; S. H. Todd, 102, Ill.; S. P. Barr, P. S. G. W., Iowa; Henry Passage and A. D. Huntley, 22, Mich.; Jas. A. Brown, 66, N. D.; Edmund Spooner, 11, R. I.; C. B. Miller, 3, S. M. Mussalem, 299, W. W. Sellers, 9, W. J. Callahan, 5, Mo.; and 250 others, many of whom were visitors at No. 19 on Wednesday.



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Trinity Lodge, No. 208, Davenport, Ia., conferred the M. M. degree in a tent, Aug. 10.

A Lodge was instituted at Velva, N. D., on the 6th., and one at Bowbells, N. D., on the 7th.

Judge Alton B. Parker is Chief Commissioner of Appeals of the Grand Lodge of New York.

El Zagel Temple, Fargo, conferred the degrees on 13, Aug. 7, in honor of Imp. Potentate Clayton who was present.

El Riad Temple, Sioux Falls, S. D., conferred degrees Aug. 13 in honor of Imp. Potentate Clayton, who was a visitor.

Masons at Hibbing, Minn., recently presented Grand Master Thomas Morris, a silver Trowel bearing the following inscription:

Hokah Lodge, No. 17, Hokah, Minn., Chartered Jan. 8, 1857, has surrendered its charter owing to its membership being badly scattered.

Jasper Lodge, No. 164, was honored by a visit from Grand Master Thomas Morris, Aug. 2; the third degree was conferred. Many visitors were present.

The average number of inmates of the Masonic Home at Utica, N. Y. for the year ending March 31, 1906, was 308 and the per capita cost was $204.-06.

The Madison, S. D., Masonic Building association has been incorporated with the following officers: W. W. Girton, Pres.; vice president, Mrs. Wessel; secy. Wm. Rae; treas. Dr. F. H. Files. A $12,000 temple will be erected.

"Presented by the Mesaba Lodge No. 255 to M. W. G. M. Thomas Morris at the laying of the corner stone of the Masonic Temple at Hibbing Minn., July 27, 1906." The gift is a very handsome one and much prized by the Grand Master.

The Council degrees were conferred on a class of fifteen from Kenosha and six of Racine, at Racine, Wis., Aug. 3. The Masons of Racine opened their new club-rooms which 'excel anything of like character in the state', Aug. 4.

I think that every anteroom should be regarded as an integral part of the Lodge room proper, and that whatever is calculated to disturb or interfere with the labors within the Lodge room should be positively prohibited. —Delahousaye, G. M., La.

The Rock Island and Scott County, Ia., Masons will hold their annual picnic at Moline Aug. 18; last year more than 10,000 were present; the association is composed of 13 lodges. Grand Masters Chester B. Allen of Galesburg, Ill., and W. T. Cleveland of Harlan, Ia., will be present.

The Square and Compass, New Orleans, published an account of the conferring of the "Master's degree," probably meaning the Master Mason degree, the other being unknown to us, on Sunday, July 29, beginning at 8 o'clock, A. M. and closing at 6, P. M. Don't do it brethren.

A Mason, acting as a Grand Juror, cannot shield a brother who is guilty of a crime. A Mason must obey the law of the land. When a Mason commits a crime, he cannot invoke Masonry to protect him from the legal consequences of his wrong doing.—Meyerhardt, G. M., Ga.

"Is there Masonry among the Indians," is the title of an article which has run through several numbers of The Tyler-Kepstone, and has no promise of an early end. So far we have not discovered that the article justifies the title.

For our own part we do not think there is or ever has been Masonry among the Indians. True they have had certain rites and ceremonies, but nothing approaching Masonry. There have been and are Indians who are Masons. An acquaintance of forty years among our western Indians has led me to believe that they know nothing about Masonry except certain of the signs well known to all Masons, and those were obtained from the French traders in Lower Canada, now Province of Quebec, and have been handed down as something which would attract attention from white people. I have seen these signs given by Indian women, who had no other knowledge than I have stated above. In every instance the persons giving them were of French descent.

SCOTTISH RITE ENTERTAINS.

The A. and A. S. R. Bodies, Valley of Minneapolis, held open house Tuesday afternoon and evening of last week for members of the rite attending the National Encampment, and the committee, consisting of Dr. A. E. Higbee, C. R. Cooley, W. P. Roberts, Dr. T. G. Lee and H. M. Weston, is to be congratulated upon the success of the affair, owing in great measure to its efforts.

The Halls were decorated with cut flowers and palms, an orchestra occupied a corner of the consistory hall, and lemonade, frappe, sandwiches and cigars were served in the side rooms. Upon entering each guest was requested to register, after which he was presented with a beautiful badge consisting of the emblem of the order in green bronze, pendant from which was the five pointed star of the G. A. R., attached to a royal purple ribbon containing in gilt the legend: "Reception A. A. S. R. Southern Jurisdiction To Visiting Brethren National Encampment G. A. R. Minneapolis, Minn., Aug-14, 1906.;" the visitor was then introduced to all, and soon forgot that he was recently a stranger. Deputy Grand Commander and Inspector General, Sam. E. Adams, our "Uncle Sam," was in attendance and had a hearty hand clasp and warm greeting for all.

The visitor's roster contains the names of 177, of whom the Observer was so fortunate as to meet the following: E. S. Ormsby, Des Moines, Ia.; Edward Watson, Dennis W. Hone, Frank W. Chapman, Chas. Hirschfield, Daniel Gee, C. B. Wilson, M. E. Fer-

guson, Victor Gretter and N. B. Lewis, Chicago and Major A. J. Cheney, Oak Park, Ill.; J. R. Bleasdale, Janesville, C. A. Sercomb, Milwaukee, J. H. Tate, Viroqua, W. D. Sproesser, Watertown, Col. J. A. Watrous, Milwaukee, and A. E. Smith, Delavan, Wis.; John T. Ridler, Oelwein, Ia.; T. H. U. Smith, Denver, Col.; W. H. Wilson, Topeka, Kan.; F. C. Ferrin, Omaha, Neb.; H. M. Austin, Birmingham, Ala.; Frank D. Woodbury, Grand Sec. Grand Lodge, N. H.; A. L. Grow, Ariz.; H. W. Broadbent, Kansas City, Mo.; J. H. Mitchell, La Fayette, Ind.; Geo. H. Keyes, P. G. M., Ellendale, N. D.; D. Seigfried, Sanborn, N. D.; C. A. Macnamara, Lisbon, N. D.; N. H. Hopkins, Yankton, S. D.; J. I. Wilson, Cleveland, S. R. Mountain, Dayton, W. H. Reesen, Urbana, Ohio; Wm. Green, Topeka, Kan.; Henry F. Rice, Sutton, Wash.; Albert Roberts, Devils Lake, W. H. Winchester, Bismarck, Dr. S. J. Hill, Fargo, J. A. Jardine, Fargo, N. D.; Chas. G. Muller, Chicago, Ill.; Dr. C. G. Higbee, St. Paul, Minn.; Geo. L. Locke, Bessemer, Mich.; O. L. Farnham, Butte, Mont.; Alex. Gardner, Jr., Duluth, Minn.; S. N. Campbell, Cherryfield, Me.; O. S. Gifford, P. G. M., Canton, S. D.; W. H. Harvey, Belton, Tex.; J. A. Wilt, Towanda, Pa.; L. C. Baker, T. H. Davis, Salina, Kan.; H. G. Blume, Indianapolis, Ind.; C. H. Case, Hartford, Conn.; Thos. W. Wallace, Galveston. Tex.; G. C. Smith, Winona, Minn.; W. C. Leiferman, Chicago, Ill.; I. G. Kimball, Washington, D. C.; J. L. Bowdish, Wichita, Kan.; A. C. Haines, New Market, N. H.; A. Whedon, Louisville, Ky.; I. H. Burgoon, Toledo. O.; J. H. Sessions, Toledo, O.; L. Schooler, Des Moines, Ia.; E. P. Murdock, Chicago, Ill.; W. H. Gray, Cincinnati, O.; W. S. Parker, St. Louis, Mo.; Jas. G. Mildren, Philadelphia, Pa.; C. K. Reifsnider, St. Louis, Mo.; W. W. Chambers, Washington, D. C.

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W. T. Jenkins, 165, has gone to Appleton, Minn., where he expects to reside.

Sam. B. Hall, a well known member of 19, made a periodical visit last week.

E. C. Van Hoesen, formerly of Khurum, No. 112, now of Rochester, N. Y., is visiting in the City.

M. T. Emery, Sec. of Ancient Landmark, No. 5, St. Paul, was over to see the parade, Wednesday.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, will hold its stated Communication in the committee rooms, Wednesday, 22d.

F. M. Libby, S. W. of Compass, No. 265, Robbinsdale, was a caller and looked over the Temple, last Friday.

Ark Lodge, No. 176, will confer the E. A. degree Monday night, 20th.; members are requested to be present.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, will confer the F. C. degree, Wednesday night, 22d. The Worshipful Master requests the members to attend.

The Masonic Library Association will give a first-class concert for the benefit of the Library, Wednesday, Sept. 12. It is hoped that all the Masonic and Eastern Star Bodies will cooperate. Admission will be only 50 cents.

Minnehaha Lodge, No. 165, will confer the E. A. degree at a special communication Tuesday night, 21st. As this is really the beginning of the Fall work, the Worshipful Master especially requests that the members will be in attendance.

The **Observer** was highly honored last Thursday by a call from the Misses Lambert of New Orleans, daughters of Richard Lambert, Grand Secretary and Recorder of the Masonic Bodies of Louisiana. The ladies are spending a few weeks among our summer resorts.

The editor of the **Observer** devoted all of last week to visitors to the Masonic Temple; fully five hundred were shown through the halls of the several Bodies, and every courtesy shown the guests and in no single instance was any **advertising** done for this paper; not even a card, personal or otherwise was handed out; but we did talk Masonic Library and its needs to all.

MINNEAPOLIS LODGE NO. 19.

This Lodge held its stated communication last Wednesday, disregarding the heat and the fact that its W. M., and other officers and members had been on duty all day, as were all Minneapolitans in honor of the City's guests and the Nation's heroes. The attendance was large, especially of visitors. The principal stated business consisted of allowing bills. Three petitions for degrees were received and one candidate elected. Sen. W. Schlener was in the East, Jun. W. Chesher in the West and P. M. Harry Moore of Ark, No. 176, in the South during the business session. A Lodge of Fellow Crafts was opened for examination of candidates, with Jun. W. Chesher in the East, P. M. Geo. E. Young in the West and A. E. Clarendon in the South. A lodge of Master Masons was opened with W. M. Pray in the East, J. W. Chesher in the West and A. E. Clarendon in the South, with C. E. Braden, S. D., C. M. Roberts, J. D., and Bros. Edgerton and Sanborn as Stewards, Masonic Quartet and Organist Gilbert rendering the musical program. Two candidates were raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason. Judge H. D. Dickinson, P. M. delivered the historical lecture in his usual excellent manner; the first being passed by Bros. Edgerton and Clarendon. Several distinguished members were present, among them being, W. A. Burnham, W. M. Groton 65, S. D.; E. D. Leland, P. M., Lanark, 423, Ill.; J. A. Mason, P. M., Vitrious, 81, Wheeling, Ill.; A. N. Kay, P. M., Mountain View, 16, Alberta; J. G. Ackerman, 224, Ainsworth, Neb.; C. E. Morrell, S. W. and acting W. M., King Hiram, 31, Jordan, Minn.; F. H. McCuskey, W. M., Plymouth, 160, Minneapolis; J. W. Strathern, W. M. Rhea Springs, 210, Spring City, Tenn.; J. E. Bullock, 4, Franklin, Vt.; J. A. Henry, Elkton, 57, S. D.; C. H. Brinsmaid, Past High Priest, Minn.; and Capt. Walton W. French, P. M. of Chattanooga 99, Tenn., Past, Com. Dept. of Tenn. Geo. B. Ritter of Tyrian, 333, Springfield, Ill., gave an illustration of the "Way-faring-man" of his jurisdiction.

GRAND LODGE OF SASKATCHEWAN.

The Masons of Saskatchewan gathered at Regina Thursday, Aug. 9, for the purpose of organizing a grand lodge for the Province. Nearly a hundred delegates were present, a number far in excess of expectations, no less than 25 lodges being represented out of a total of 28 lodges in the province. Twenty-two of the twenty- five lodges were represented by officers, while three were represented by proxy and the total number of votes present was 120. Great interest and enthusiasm was evinced in the proceedings throughout and the discussions that arose in the course of the day were, without exception, extremely able and of a highly interesting and profitable character.

In addition to the Provincial representatives there were also in attendance officers from almost every Province in the Dominion, Bro. Brandith, of New Westminister, B. C., Rt. Worshipful Bro. Morris, of Prince Edward Island, Most Worshipful Bro. McKechnie and Most Worshipful Bro. Jas. A. Ovas, the two latter being the grand master and grand secretary respectively of Manitoba, being among the number present.

The grand lodge of Saskatchewan having been duly brought into existence, the following grand lodge officers were with impressive ceremonies installed by Most Wor. Bro. McKechnie and Most Wor. Bro. Ovas of the Manitoba grand lodge:

Grand Master—Most Wor. Bro. H. H. Campkin, Indian Head.

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Grand Tyler—Right Wor. Bro. Wm. Barnwell, Maple Creek.

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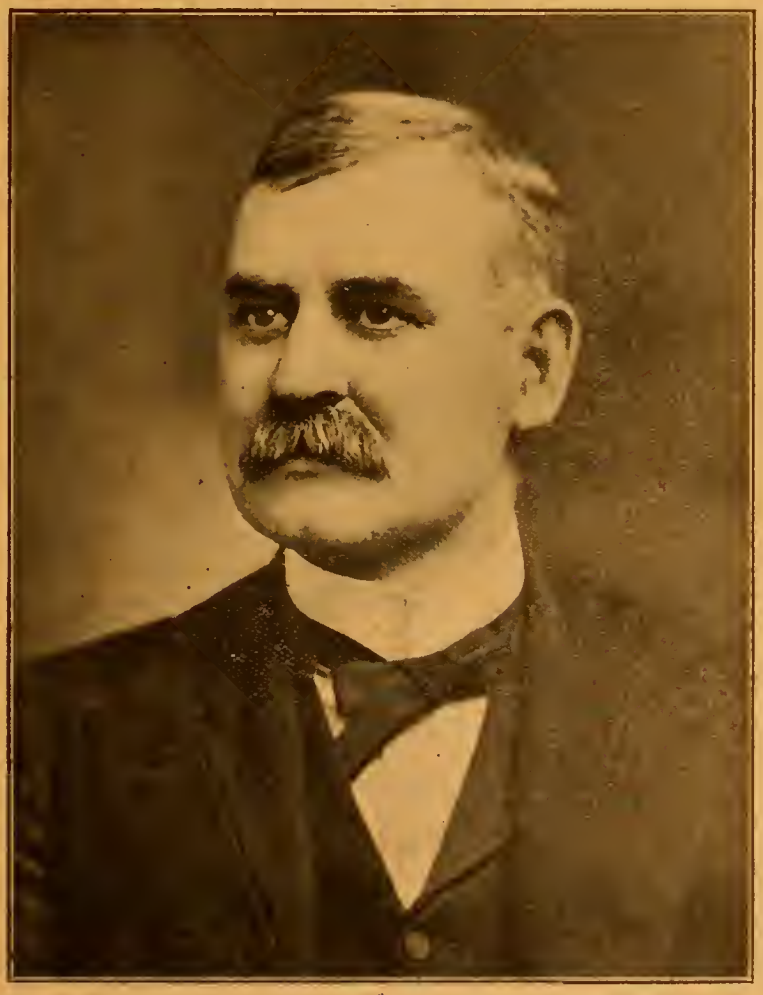
Fourth Paper.

We quote liberally from the address of Grand Master Sherburne as it is the first deserving the name, delivered in Minnesota. Sherburne had not been on the roster of Grand Lodge officers prior to his election; he did not want the office and begged the committee appointed to announce his election, to excuse him from accepting, but finally yielded, and wrote a note of acceptance.

Grand Master's Address.

Freemasonry has higher, broader objects in view than the mere prosperity and success of its own Order. It looks to the well being of the whole brotherhood of man. Its principles are those alone which can lead on to virtue, wisdom, prosperity and happiness; and one branch of its mission is to scatter those principles broadcast over the earth. It is a mistaken belief, too often entertained, that its purpose is fullfilled by administering to the physical necessities and wants of poor distressed brothers, their widows and orphans.

Masonry aims at making men better, higher, nobler beings; it denounces vice, and teaches virtue and purity; and no man is a Freemason in practice, whose example is not worthy of being followed by the philanthropist and the christian. Its true spirit has nothing in it which is selfish. The rule that directs the charity of the Order first to a brother, contains nothing in conflict with the universality of that charity. It is the rule, or at least the practice, of almost every political, religious, social or charitable organization. The State looks first to the wants of its own subjects, the Church to its own members, and Masons to their brother Masons. It is a law of self-preservation, and if the institution is worth preserving at all, the first duty of its members is to support each other. After that, the Mason is bound, as well by the principles of his Order as by his Masonic obligations, to do good to all men—not only by the offerings of charity, but by teaching the fundamental principles of his craft, and by so conducting himself that the world shall be made better by his example.



JUDGE C. L. SMITH.

We do not meet today, my brethren, I trust, thanking our Divine Master for the prosperity of Masonry only, but for those manifold favors which have been and are still being showered down upon our common country. This feeling may not be prominent in every member of the Fraternity. It is a matter of regret to all true brothers that every Mason in name is not a Mason in fact. Perfection in our Fraternity is, of course, impossible, but it should be our constant determination to approximate towards it. It is believed that great numbers present their petitions and are admitted to our folds with motives, which, if

made public, should at once exclude them. The candidate who has no other motive than that which pertains to his own personal advantage, is unworthy of admission. Some are induced to offer themselves, and are admitted, at the very moment of commencing a long journey, or of removing to some other State or country. They pass away a large portion of their lives heedless of Freemasonry, or denouncing its principles, till an exigency arises which promises some direct personal advantage, and then they come forward for its rights and benefits. Such men should generaly be rejected. The Craft derive no advantage from the connection, but on the contrary are burdened and perplexed in many instances by the unreasonable and selfish demands of such persons, and the influence of our Order is lessened by the apparent sordid character of that portion of its members. Others offer themselves to save sinking reputations; others in the hope of extending their business relations, others in the ambition of associating with better men than themselves; and others still, in the expectation of deriving support through the medium of Masonic charity. Such men, if they could be identified, should generally be rejected. Every man before being made a Mason should first be prepared in his heart. A Masonic Lodge is not designed as an asylum for idiocy or insanity; as a house of refuge for the poor, nor a house of correction for the wicked. Like the general, obtaining recruits for his army, we should take none but sound men. They should be sound mentally, physically and morally. All others serve only to eat our stores, impede our march, and increase the risk of defeat in our main purposes. We must care well for our own wounded and infirm, but never enlist such.

I refer to this, because in it lies the greatest danger to our Fraternity. The day of our highest prosperity is the day of our greatest peril. Like a political party certain of victory, we may expect in this, our day of success, to see elbowing their way among us, every hypocrite, renegade and vagabond who has neither home nor hope in any other quarter.

There is often a fatal ambition in Lodges to increase their numbers—sometimes because it gives eclat to their names—sometimes because it increases their funds. In this state of things there is danger of less scrutiny of the character and standing of the candidates than is necessary, and many little uncertainties are winked at by Lodges, by reason of their vanity, or in view of their treasury. Such conduct is in violation of the great fundamental principles of our Order, and every such Lodge not only injures itself, but it wounds, in a serious manner, the whole Masonic Fraternity. It is better that ten good men be rejected than one vicious one received. The good man can live without us, but we cannot live in harmony with a vicious one. This evil of admitting unworthy brethren has for a few years past been increasing in many places to an alarming extent, and I warn you, my brethren, to beware in this our new, and mixed population, and now in our infancy, as a Territorial jurisdiction, to avoid the error so far as human foresight can do so.

The multiplication of Lodges is an evil scarcely less to be avoided. The former error is almost the necessary fruit of the latter. In this respect the Grand Lodge of Minnesota has, up to the present time, been sufficiently cautious; but reasons for new Lodges are so easily imagined, or manufactured, that the Grand Lodge should ever be upon its guard.

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DEMITS.

Editor THE OBSERVER—

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 has requested its secretary by vote to open a discussion in the columns of THE Observer—with the consent of course of its editor—of the law governing dimits in Iowa, with a view of leading others to a consideration of the question, and of determining as nearly as may be the adaptability of such a law in Minnesota, or the advisability of enacting such a Masonic regulation in this State. It occurs to me, Brother Allen, that I can best serve the Lodge by asking you to give the outlines of the Iowa law in your columns and to discuss the question pro and con, giving such reasons as you have in mind or as may occur to you both for and against.

Will you kindly comply with this request, and oblige, both the secretary and the Lodge? It may be that others may engage in the discussion and a way be discerned that shall lead to an improvement of the law governing dimits in Minnesota.

Fraternally, in behalf of the Lodge,

H. S. Goff, Secretary.

It might be well at the outset to agree, if we can agree, upon the spelling of the word.

Our own Grand Lodge spells it "Dimit"; Mackey and many other authorities spell it "Demit". Iowa, in the law which is under consideration spells it "Demit," but has used both spellings without discrimination. The editor, who knew Dr. Mackey and admired him for his personality as well as an author, prefers Mackey's spelling.

The Iowa Law, which was adopted June 3, 1897, as an amendment to the code of 1893, is as follows:

(a) Every Master Mason in good standing who is a member of a lodge in this jurisdiction and not barred by the provisions of Sections 146,256,257, or other provisions of this Code, is entitled to demission therefrom upon proper application, on payment of all his indebtedness to the lodge, including Grand Lodge dues for the year, and any subordinate lodge dues that may then be due.

(b) Each application for demission shall be in writing and be presented to the lodge at a stated meeting, and if it appears that the petitioner is entitled to demission as above provided, and no charges are pending against him, and no member present shall claim a privilege to prefer them, such application shall be granted, by order of the Master entered of record, without vote of the lodge, and the Secretary shall issue to the applicant a certificate thereof, under seal of the Lodge. Such order of the Master, when made and entered of record, cannot thereafter be revoked, and from and after that moment the membership of the applicant ceases.

(c) If any member present shall claim the privilege of preferring charges against such applicant, then it shall lie over until the next stated meeting of the lodge, and if charges are then preferred they shall take the course provided by law in such case; and if on the trial of the same the accused is acquitted, his certificate of demission shall issue, by order of the Master, at the next stated meeting of the lodge, and the fact be duly entered of record.

(d) If no charges are preferred and no further time be given by a vote of the lodge for such purpose, then the certificate of demission shall issue, by order of the Master entered of record; or, if charges should be preferred, trial had, and the accused convicted and sentensed to a reprimand only, he shall, after receiving such reprimand, be entitled to demission, which shall be granted at a stated meeting of the lodge, by order of the Master entered of record.

The above is that portion of the law relating to the right of a member to an absolute demit. The law also

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MASONS IN BUSINESS.

In continuing its series of sketches of "Masons in Business", The Observer, in this issue takes great pleasure in presenting its readers with the portrait of

Judge C. L. Smith.

C. L. Smith was born, March 8, 1861, at Newton, Illinois. After finishing the course in the Grammer School he entered the High School at Champaign, from which he graduated in 1878; ne then entered the University of Illinois from which he graduated in 1882. Having chosen the profession of law he entered the Albany Law School, from which he graduated in 1885, and was admitted to the Bar in the Fall of the same year.

Judge Smith came to Minneapolis in 1887 and entered the active practice of his profession in which he continued until 1894. In 1900 he was appointed an assistant County Attorney and appointed special attorney to the County Commissioners, which important office he filled to their entire satisfaction until 1904, when he was appointed Special Municipal Jndge to succeed Judge H. D. Dickinson who was advanced to the District Bench.

The writer of this sketch having served as Judge of a Police Court for twelve years, saw many things in the conduct of Police cases in Minneapolis which had grown into custom, of which he did not approve.

Since the advent of Judge Smith many of these have disappeared, and the general custom of entering the same judgment against all cases of intoxication, "Ten dollars or ten days", which had become so universal that a local "poet" penned these lines: "The saddest words of tongue or pen, are—ten or ten", has been changed so that now each case is tried separately, and many a man who, under the "system" would have got "ten or ten," of previous good character, now gets a nominal fine which may be suspended during good behaviour.

Not so with the chronic law breakers who mistreat their families or begging from the public, spend the charities thus undeservedly obtained in carousing; these get the severest punishment under the statute.

Judge Smith first gave effect to section 6537 of the General Statutes of 1894, providing punishment for parents who neglect to properly clothe and feed their children and provide them with education. He had such parents brought into court, giving them work house sentences, staying execution pending the proper clothing, feeding and schooling of their children.

When a young boy or girl has been brought into court, the Judge universally sends for the parents, requiring their attendance during the proceedings, and the children are given suspended sentences, placed on probation and turned over to the parents pending good behaviour. This method has resulted in many children entering upon what will prove useful and industrious lives, when if they had been sent to the Workhouse they might have become confirmed criminals.

Reckless antomobile driving has almost ceased since the Judge sentenced one convicted of an aggravated case to the workhouse without the alternative of a fine.

While attorney for the County Commissioners Judge Smith brought about many reforms. He drafted a bill which was enacted into law, abolishing the fee system in the Sheriff's office, placing that office on a salary basis, which law, while it increased the pay of Deputies, made an annual saving of $12,000 to the county. He also drafted a bill which was enacted into law, whereby the Board of County Commissioners are required to present to the Board of Tax Levy, an itemized statement of the needs of the county for each ensuing year, and the Board is limited in expenditure of money for the County, to the amount appropriated by the Board of Tax Levy, and for the purpose designated by the Board of Tax Levy. This law put the transactions of the Board of County Commissioners on a business basis, and saves a great amount of money annually to the County.

He also drafted a bill, which was enacted into law, requiring the Board of County Commissioners to advertise for all materials required by the County in excess of the sum of $100, and requiring the Board of County Commissioners to let the contract to the lowest bidder.

He also drafted a hill, which was enacted into law, which put an end to Tax Speculators purchasing Tax Certificates and later on returning them to the Connty and withdrawing the amount invested in the Certificates, together with 10% and 12% interest annually.

He also assisted in drafting a bill which was enacted into law, whereby the office of the Clerk of District Court is now self-sustaining. In all, during the first two years, he acted as Attorney to the Board of County Commissioners, there was saved to the County, over $66,000, and a nearly equal sum is now annually saved to the County.

As an orator Judge Smith is frequently called upon to deliver addresses, and he delivered the Memorial day address at Lakewood in 1904, at Wayzata in 1905 and at Crystal Lake Cemetery in 1906.

Judge Smith is a candidate for Special Municipal Judge to succeed himself and his many friends are expecting success.

Judge Smith is a man of Christian character, a member of Hennepin Ave. Methodist Church, of the Knights of Pythias, Macabees, and of Minnesota Lodge, No. 224, A. F. & A. M.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Mantorville Stars gave a social Aug. 10th, realizing $12.00.

Jasper Chapter, Rush City, had an outing at Lake Pokegama on the 14th.

Michigan O. E. S. has an official organ in the Easter Star Journal of Grand Rapids.

Zuhrah's ladies had an outing last Friday with Mrs. Wm. M. Walker, at Lake Minnetonka.

Brownton Stars gave a reception for their Worthy Matron, Mrs. C. C. Ward, on the 15th; Mrs. Ward is removing to Montana.

A bill has been passed by congress changing the name of the Eastern Star home of the District of Colnmbia to the "Masonic and Eastern Star home."

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The Lodge at Crookston conferred the M. M. degree on seven, Aug. 13.

Williston, N. D., Masons are planning the erection of an opera house and lodge rooms.

The Minnesota State Fair, September 3—8, the largest Fair in the world. Greater attractions than ever before.

The Masonic Lodge and Chapter, O. E. S., Hector, gave a farewell reception to Grant Gilmer, treasurer of both bodies, Aug. 10.

The $75,000 temple to be built in Winston Salem, N. C., will cover 65 by 99 feet and will be one of the handsomest buildings in the state.

They intend to be ready for emergencies in Manitoba; at a recent District Annual Lodge of Instruction the work of a Board of Trial was exemplified.

Buffalo Lodge No. 77 A. F. and A. M., N. D., was instituted and officers installed, Aug. 14, by Frank J. Thompson, Grand secretary and acting Deputy Grand Master.

The fundamental principle of Freemasonry is the equality of all around a common altar. There is no such thing in Masonry as autocracy. The rule of the master is merely an investment of confidence on the part of his brethren. He is to wield his gavel for the common good of all. Only as the lessons of Freemasonry are acquired and displayed does the master ever rise above his fellows.—Illinois Freemason.

The good of Masonry is not seen to the best advantage in the days of prosperity, but the darker adversity lowers the better, and brighter shines the light of Freemasonry.

The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia will be patron of a Masonic Fair to be held at Halifax for a fortnight, beginning Sept. 20; the object is to raise funds for a Masonic Home.

The Masonic Lodge at Bowbells, N. D., was constituted and officers installed by Grand Master Hager, Aug. 7; on the 8th, the Lodge at Velva was constituted and officers installed by the Grand Master.

The Freemasons Hospital at Morden, Manitoba, opened in 1893, has treated 3,500 patients; the value of the property has been increased from $19,486, to $30,000, the mortgage indebtedness being only $1,500.

Kentucky Masons are well started toward their new Old Masons' home. The committee having it in charge have elected officers, and they have met and begun the work of collecting funds.

Viscount Hayashi, the Japanese ambassador to Great Britain, has made remarkable progress in the Masonic fraternity. He is a past master of Empire lodge and has recently been advanced to the grand lodge of England.

The architect has received instructions to proceed with the building of the Masonic Temple at Minot, N. D. Work will therefore be commenced on the foundation at once and it is expected will be completed in record-breaking time.

Among the out of town Masons who called on The Observer last week, were, G. A. Bunte, Lambert, 659, Quincy, Ill.; Daniel Gee, Ashlar, 105, Lewiston, Me.; Geo. L. Snyder, 507, Rochester, N. Y.; J. W. Muncton, Hastings, 52, Mich.; Gordon H. Johnson, Morning Sun, Conway, Mass.; Geo. Jackson, 148, Fort Worth, Tex.; S. W. Haynes, 133, Chillicothe, Mo.; Harry M. Washburn, Topeka, Kan.; Dr. Orpha D. Bruce, W. M. of Evergreen Chapter, No. 16, O. E. S., and Assoc. Cond. Grand Chapter, Tampa, Fla.; G. J. Carlson, La Fayette, Boston, Mass.; T. E. Warne, No. 826, North Tonawanda, N. Y., and Miss Helen Jewett, Ruth of the Chapter O. E. S., Woodstock, Ill.

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba had a membership of 4,410, on Dec. 27, 1905; the increase for the year was 939, the decrease was 1,315; of the latter number 1,053 were members of Lodges forming the new Grand Lodge of Alberta.

Shriners of Washington, the Inland Empire, are planning for what is promised to be the greatest demonstration in the history of the order in the Pacific Northwest when they gather at Spokane Interstate fair on Sept. 26, which has been officially declared Shriners' Day. There will be an open air entertainment from morning till nightfall at the fair grounds and in the evening the fraters will entertain their visitor at a jollification in the Spokane temple.

Stately structures and aesthetic decoration of Lodge rooms are very good in their way. Social gatherings are by no means to be overlooked, but as Masons, the great and blessed principle of Charity has a paramount claim upon our sympathies and our finances. It would greatly strengthen Lodge life and Masonic prestige if our balance sheets could demonstrate more often than they do, that our professions and practices were properly squared.—Scott, G. M., Manitoba.

Sunshine chapter No. 94, has been organized at Prosser, Wash., near Spokane, with 20 charter members. The officers were installed by Mrs. Lillian B. Blalock and Mrs. Ferdinand Horn of Walla Walla, after which there was a banquet. The officers of the chapter are: Mrs. Margaret Ammon, W. M.; Mrs. Eva McLane, A. M.; E. A. Wise, W. P.; Mrs. E. A. Wise, secretary; Miss Clara Finn, conductress; Mrs. M. Dondanville, associate conductress. Mesdames Blalock and Horn were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ammon during their stay at Prosser.

"We recognize in the Observer a faithful and intelligent exponent of Masonic events in this and other Grand Jurisdictions and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity". (Report of Committee on Jurisprudence, Grand Lodge of Minn., Jan. 1905.)

WISCONSIN.

Chartered Lodges, 254, membership Jan. 1, 1906, 22,118, net gain, 867. Grand Lodge at its recent session refused recognition to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico because of its Scottish Rite origin.

An English Masonic historian succeeded, at the cost of a penny postal card, in getting a first class advertisement from this Grand Lodge.

A resolution providing that brethren attending Grand Lodge be required to register with the Grand Secretary and to have a card containing the hours of each session, to be punched by the Grand Tyler when presented at the door, entering or retiring, was laid over until 1907. The tagging of members with badges is bad enough without this new absurdity. Repeal the per diem and the necessity for such regulations as the above will disappear. The Masons of Wisconsin, through the treasurer of the Grand Lodge, contributed $4,771.25 to the California relief fund. In view of the fact that Past Grand Master Aldro Jenks is the author of the advertisement mentioned above, there is no little inconsistence in the following from his pen in his review of Alabama for 1905: "A brother who had" invented, patented and introduced for the use of subordinate Lodges, a convenient and practicable ballot box," etc., got in his work in the Grand Lodge so far as to secure the adoption of a resolution recommending it. We very much doubt the propriety of making use of a Grand Lodge resolution in this manner for advertising purposes."

THE 1910 TRIENNIAL.

That Minneapolis is an ideal place for large conventions has been demonstrated to the country, and hereafter it will only be necessary to ask in order to receive. The Triennial Conclave of Knights Templars, if held in Minneapolis, would bring to our city a body of men whom it would be an honor to entertain.

It is none too early for the three Commanderies to take this matter up and in conjunction with the Commercial Club, plan to secure the Triennial of 1910.

Yukon Lodge, No. 79, located at Dawson, and Whitehorse, No. 81, at Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, on the registry of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, have a membership of 85 and 49 respectively, are in the eleventh Masonic District and are 400 miles apart.

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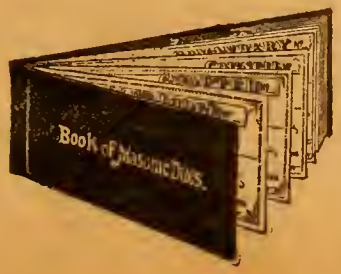
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Hennepin, No. 4, held its stated meeting in the Library room last Wednesday.

Minnesota, No. 224, received one petition and elected one candidate last Tuesday.

Frank Forbes, of the Masonic Quartette, was quite sick last week with bilious fever.

Dr. Walden M. Ward, Fortune, No. 788, North Collins, N. Y., was a caller last Wednesday.

Hugh Marchbank, 112, is father of a fine boy who will probably have all the advantages the City schools can give.

A. E. Clarendon, 19, wife and daughter, left last Saturday for a vacation of two weeks at Chicago and the lakes.

J. W. Moore of Hennepin No. 4, is home from Mt. Clemens, Mich., somewhat improved; he is afflicted with rheumatism.

Brother H. H. Wasem, of Ark Lodge, No. 176, is sorely afflicted by the death of his wife, Bertha I. Wasem. His many friends tender their sympathies.

Delinquent members are warned that the time for making annual returns is near. An interview with the secretary may prevent your being "dropped from the rolls."

Arcana Lodge, No. 187, will confer the Fellow Craft degree, Monday night, 27th. The Worshipful Master desires a full attendance of members; visitors are invited.

J. C. Luce, of Groton, S. D., whose Lodge home is in Iowa, though a member of the R. A. C. at the former place, is spending sometime in the city.

Brother Luce was with Sibley during the Indian uprising and saw the end of that affair in the northwest.

Minnehaha Lodge, No. 165, conferred the E. A. degree on Tuesday evening of last week. It was a hot old time in the old hall that night, but the brethren did their work well, as usual, and the candidate is on his way into the mysteries of Masonry and a field of usefullness as a laborer in Masonic circles.

Jabez D. Coger, of 3553 Bryant Ave. S., for the last eight years in the employ of Lakewood Cemetery association, a member of Ada Lodge, No. 280, Ada, Mich., was buried at Lakewood, last Thursday; Ark Lodge, No. 176, conducting Masonic services at the request of the Michigan Lodge. Rev. L. G. Morrill officiated at the residence.

Dr. Edwin Wanous received telegraphic notice last Friday of a probably fatal accident to his sister, Mrs. E. P. Allen, of Spokane, Wash. Mrs. Allen was driving in that city last Thursday, when a runaway team ran into her carriage causing her team to run away. Both Mrs. and Mr. Allen are well known in Minneapolis, where they resided until about three years ago. Mr. Allen was connected with the Palace Shoe Co., here, and a member of Khurum Lodge, No. 112, both being members of Palestine Chapter, O. E. S. Dr. Wanous left for Spokane last Friday.

Hennepin, No. 4, Khurum, No. 112, and Minnesota, No. 224, will be without a home for some time owing to their Lodge room being in the hands of the decorators; at present they will hold their stated meeting in the Library or adjacent rooms; members should not absent themselves from the stated meetings as the regular business will go forward. When completed the Lodge room on the second floor of the Temple will be the finest in the Northwest, and the Lodges meeting there will have a home of which they will be justly proud.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, held a largely attended special last Wednesday night, and conferred the Fellow Craft degree on three. Junior Warden Chesher was in the East, A. E. Clarendon in the West, and Sam Goulstone in the South, S. E. Gilbert, organist and the Masonic Quartette.

Among the visitors were D. H. Gill, of Preston, No. 218, Iowa, of which he has been W. M. for six years, J. J. Bullis, W. M., H. W. Smollett, S. W., H. M. Weston, J. W., F. S. Pool, Lorne Dean, W. A. Martin, Geo. Rothenberger, of Hennepin, No. 4, C. A. White, Arcana, No. 187, J. B. Prose, Morning Sun, No. 7, Ohio, Prof. C. W. Hall, J. D. of Cataract, No. 2.

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provides for demission for the purpose of joining with others in forming a new lodge and to resume his membership in event of failure to form the new lodge.

The law also provides that a member may withdraw from the lodge on his petition, in which event his name is dropped from the rolls and his membership terminated, but he remains subject to the disabilities of an un-affiliated Master Mason.

A further section of the Code provides: "Any member of a lodge who is not an officer thereof has the right of demission therefrom upon his voluntary application therefor, subject to the provisions and restrictions stipulated in Chapter XVI. of the Code, if in good standing, clear of the books, and not under charges." This section was amended in 1898, but the change is not material. The law seems to have worked satisfactorily as there have been no amendments since 1898.

The Minnesota Law.

Sec. 264. Masonic Code. A Master or Warden cannot resign or dimit, during his term of office, but every other member has the right to demit (withdraw) at any time, if his dues are fully paid, and no charges are pending against him. He need not give his reasons for doing so. Unless the by-laws fix some other way, his application may be made verbally in open Lodge, or in writing to the Secretary; or verbally or in writing to the Master or Secretary out of the Lodge; or if absent from the jurisdiction he may request a member of the Lodge to make application for him. The request must be presented at a stated meeting only, and if the conditions have been complied with, the Lodge by vote must grant the request at that or the next stated meeting following. If it refuse to do so, charges must be preferred against the brother at once, or the Lodge itself is liable to discipline. When the Lodge grants the dimit, the brother immediately ceases to be a member, the action of the Lodge is complete and final and cannot be rescinded or reconsidered. The certificate (dimit) is only the written evidence of the action of the Lodge. If the brother desires to become a member again in the same or any other Lodge he must petition as a non-affiliate.

The only material difference in the law of the two jurisdictions is the obtaining the demit in Minnesota without a written application, which we think is wrong as tending to complications and errors.

In connection with this question we desire to call the attention of our readers to that portion of Grand Master Sherburne's address relating to demits, in article on Freemasonry in Minnesota, in this issue.

The Grand Lodge of Mississippi announces the death, June 18, of Bradley T. Kimbrough, Grand Master in 1886, and Grand High Priest in 1883.

The Crescent, Vol. I, No. I, August, is received. The Crescent is to be issued on the first of each month by The Crescent Publishing Co., Augusta, Ga., in the interest of the A. A. O. N. M. S. Subscription price, $1.00.

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Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 6 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

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Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

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Fourth Paper.

(Continuing Grand Master Sherburne's Address.)

The subject of dimits, and of non-affiliating Masons, is very justly attracting the attention of the Grand Lodges of this country, and is one to which I would call your attention. It presents several difficult questions, upon which harmony is extremely desirable, and yet seems almost impossible until the adoption of some efficient organization for the final settlement of disputed questions. There is, in the first place, a wide difference of opinion as to the intention or effect of a dimit—some Grand Masters contending that it operates as a perfect dissolution of the connection between the dimited member and the Lodge, while others contend that it has that effect only in case the dimited member leaves the jurisdiction and affiliates with another Lodge. Again, there is a difference of opinion as to the relations and duties subsisting between the Lodges and the dimited or non-affiliated brother. It is contended by some, that every Mason is bound by the principles and Ancient Landmarks of his Order, to use due and reasonable diligence to connect himself with some working Lodge, and, if able to pay the dues of the Lodge; and that a failure to comply with this rule should deprive a brother of all the rights, priviledges and benefits of the Order; while others seem to think that Lodges have no right to impose a penalty of so great severity.

I think that the granting of "dimits" having the effect which that modern term implies, according to its usual acceptation among Masons of the present day, is a transaction on the part of Lodges of more serious importance than is generally supposed; and that they are often asked for, and granted without sufficient consideration on the one side, as to its propriety, or upon the other as to its effect. There is, indeed, no power in any Lodge to compel a brother to affiliate with its organization, or to prevent his dissolving his connection when he chooses to do so; and there can be no doubt that when a brother demands a discharge from his membership the strongest reasons exist in favor of granting it. The conferring of the first three degrees in Masonry upon a man does not under the ordinary laws of Masonry, confer upon him a membership with any particular Lodge. It is optional with him after he has received his degrees, to become a member of a Lodge or otherwise; and it is also optional with the Lodge to receive him or not. He is not bound by his obligation to fraternize in any particular organization, and no Masonic Lodge is bound to admit him into their fold. The rights and duties of both parties are necessarily mutual. While, however, a brother may have the power to hold himself aloof from affiliation with the Fraternity, it still remains an important question whether he has the moral or Masonic right to do so without sufficient cause. But, however this may be decided, no regular made Mason can obsolve himself from his obligation to a brother and to the Fraternity. There can be neither brotherhood or mutuality among the members of an institution which contributes equally to its workmen and its drones. And although a Mason has the power to separate from his Lodge, or to refuse to connect himself with one, he has neither right nor power to shake off his Masonic duties pointed out in his original obligations, without the commission of a crime which should be visited by the penalty of expulsion from our Order.

When a man receives the favor of being admitted to "light," he assumes certain responsibilities from which no power on earth can relieve him. It is not an idle consideration which he receives, nor are his duties of the fleeting, shadowy character which some men seem to suppose. The contract is just, mutual and binding forever upon both parties, except when forfeited by crime or neglect. Masonry assumes no power to grant a dispensation for the violation of an obligation. For a brother to stand aloof from a Masonic responsibility, is a clear violation of his contract with the Fraternity, a clear violation of the ancient laws and regulations of his Order, and an equal violation of the spirit and letter of his solemn obligation. He may, as I have intimated, claim exemption from membership in a working Lodge but he cannot, consistently with his most sacred obligations, shake off his other Masonic responsibilities. To do so is, in my opinion, to forfeit his Masonic character.

"We recognize in the Observer a faithful and intelligent exponent of Masonic events in this and other Grand Jurisdictions and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity". (Report of Committee on Jurisprudence, Grand Lodge of Minn., Jan. 1905.)

MASONS IN BUSINESS.

The Observer expects to make this department a feature, hoping to meet general approval; this course was determined by the general inquiry for information regarding well known Masons whose occupation is unknown to the brethren.

Some years ago the editor of this paper met and made the acquaintance of a young lawyer in the Courts of a neighboring state; the meeting was as counsel for opposing clients. We were impressed with the ability and power of our opponent and attracted by the urbanity and courtesy of his personality.

It is extremely gratifying to have pleasant first impressions realized upon closer acquaintance. It is said of a certain business man that he never enters into important business relations with others or selects a man for a place of trust until he has brought them into his home and introduced them to his wife and received the verdict of her intuition. Woman's intuition is proverbial, but man forms impressions and is often surprised at their verification.

In the case in question the writer, after some years and a closer acquaintance with the subject of this sketch has found his first opinion fully justified. The subject of our sketch,

Judge Frederick V. Brown,

was born in Washtenaw County, Michigan, March 8, 1862. Coming to Minnesota in the spring of 1869, he settled at Shakopee where he resided until 1889, when he removed to Minneapolis.

Judge Brown was educated in the common schools of this state, studied law and was admitted to the Bar in 1885.

Early in his career Judge Brown developed the faculty of learning both sides of a case, realizing that he "who knows only his own side of the case knows little of that", and in answering an opponent arranged his ideas as well as his words.

Unlike Goldsmith's "Good-Natured Man", young Brown was always more ready to get his client out of than into troubles. In him both law and equity seems to have been joined.

After several years of successful practice in the Courts of Minnesota and adjacent states, F. V. Brown was called to the District Bench upon the resignation of Judge Charles B. Elliott, and has filled that exalted position to the satisfaction of all who have come into contact with him, proving a worthy successor to an able man. His personal acquaintances and in-

timate friends are gratified that he has so well realized their high regard.

There is no virtue in a robe and gown; it must lie in the wearer, who must be a gentleman by nature, and a scholar by education in order to be successful. As a practitioner F. V. Brown could deliberate with caution, but act with decision, and yield with graciousness, or oppose with firmness. On the Bench he has ever exhibited the "cold neutrality of an impartial judge"; the welfare of the people being his highest law.

He was President of the State Bar Association in 1903.

Of him a well known jurist recently said, "He has the ablest judicial mind of this City." Another said, "I regard him as the peer of any judge we have had."

In common parlance, as a Judge, "he has made good." Judge Brown is a candidate before the primaries to succeed himself as Judge of the District Court of Hennepin County. He is a member of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, A. F. & A. M., Saint Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., and of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, K. T., which latter body he has served as Eminent Commander.



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SCOTTISH RITE.

The Minneapolis Bodies will resume labors by a regular meeting of the Consistory, Sept. 27. There will be a reunion for work, Oct. 8—11, for which petitions must be in the hands of the Registrar by Sept. 26; balloting in all the bodies Oct. 4.

A District school of instruction was held at Pipestone, Aug. 21; Worthy Grand Matron Yould was present.

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Colored Masons organized a lodge at Fond du Lac, Wis., Aug. 16.

Rochester, Minn., Masons are erecting an addition to their Temple.

The R. A. Chapter, Austin, Minn., conferred the R. A. degree on 3, Aug. 24.

He who industriously sows and reaps is a good laborer, and worthy of his hire.

Tripoli Temple, Mystic Shrine, Milwaukee, Wis., had an outing party to Wonderland, Aug. 29.

Past Grand Master Ives will call the Masonic Home Committee for a meeting at St. Paul this week.

The Scottish Rite Bodies of Davenport, Iowa, will hold a reunion October 24, 25, 26, for conferring of degrees.

Otis Eddy, "the oldest living Mason in the world," celebrated the 102nd anniversary of his birth at Rockford, Ill., Aug. 28. He has been a Mason for more than 80 years.

The annual session of the Grand Lodge, colored, of Minnesota, was held at Duluth, Aug. 21. Mayor Cullum delivered an address of welcome. Grand Master, Dr. R. S. Brown, of Minneapolis, was re-elected.

The mother-in-law has been vindicated. Nelson Morgan of Plains, Montana, who received the M. M. degree Aug. 15, was presented with a beautiful Masonic pin by his mother-in-law.

Columbia Chapter, No. 60, conferred the R. A. degree on three last Tuesday.

Charles Peter Scott, the first Mason to be initiated in Minnesota, was Initiated in a room in the St. Paul Hotel, St. Paul, September 17, Passed Octo. ber 22, and Raised October 24, 1849, being also the first person to receive the Master Mason degree in the Territory.

It is said of Sweet W. Case, who received the Master Mason degree in Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, Minneapolis, Minn., July 23, 1853, that "his petition was the first, and he received the first Masonic degree ever conferred in all the mighty empire lying north of Dubuque and west of the Father of waters to the Pacific ocean."

The Masonic Board of Relief was obliged to refuse relief last week to one who claimed to be a Mason, but whose name did not appear on the rolls since 1875, and who admitted that he had not visited a Lodge for 35 years.

One who seeks Masonic relief in Minnesota should be a member in good standing of a Masonic Lodge.

A Masonic monthly published in Arkansas, claims to be "the only National paper for the order published." The Observer publishes more general Masonic news weekly than this paper does monthly. In its last issue this paper published one leading article and three items from the Observer without credit.

In commenting on the resolution of our Grand Lodge relating to a Masonic Home, P. G. M. Aldro Jenks of Wisconsin says: "In the mean time let us hope that our Minnesota brethren may come to a realization of the fact that such institutions are expensive, are not economical, and fail to reach and afford relief to the most worthy and needy class of unfortunate Masons. That, on the other hand, every one who can make any showing of Masonic status, and has ruined himself by his own vices, will promptly take advantage of the opportunity and foist himself upon the Craft for permanent support."

Vermont.

One hundred and thirteenth annual at Burlington June 13 and 14. Lodges, 103; Membership April 30, 1906, 11,802, net gain 267.

There being some question of the right of Masonic Lodges to permit Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star to occupy Lodge rooms for their meetings, the committee on jurisprudence submitted the following resolution which was adopted: "Resolved, That a Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star may, with the consent of a lodge, occupy its hall for meetings."

We note that the commission of the Grand Representative before the Grand Lodge of Minnesota expired Dec. 3, 1903.

The seventeenth annual District Deputy Grand Master's meeting was held Oct. 10, and its proceedings printed in the Grand Lodge proceedings; addresses were delivered by the Grand Lecturer and others, and a critical study of the ritual was taken up. A digest of decisions from the reorganization of Grand Lodge in 1846 down to 1906, adopted by Grand Lodge, together with the Constitution,By-Laws and standing Resolutions of Grand Lodge, are appended. Charles A. Calderwood, Grand Master, Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Thirty-fifth annual June 21, 1906. Chartered lodges, 38; U. D., 3; membership, 3,051; increase 220; funds and property or lodges, $94,421.35; relief to members, $345.60; to widows and orphans, $934.40; to transients, $439.50.

Three dispensations were issued to lodges to wear regalia at balls.

The Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized; recognition was refused the "St. John's Grand Lodge" of Massachusetts, which the committee on Foreign Relations characterizes as "spurious."

Grand Master's decision that the loss of the little and ring fingers of right hand does not bar a person from making application to a lodge, was disapproved by the committee on Address and by Grand Lodge; the same committee were of opinion that Grand Master's decision that an applicant having only one eye was eligible for degrees, should be disapproved, but let it stand because Grand Lodge of

the previous year had approved a like decision. Supplies to the amount of $261.00, were sent to San Francisco.

Grand Lodge has an invested Charity Fund amounting to $15,378.98.

Referring to the Grand Lodge of Queensland, the chairman of the committee on Foreign Correspondence says: "Those American Grand Lodges (with the exception of Illinois, which is usually very conservative in such matters which have recognized the new Grand Lodge will recognize anything in the way of a Grand Lodge without enquiring too closely into its antecedents."

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Plans have been approved for the new Temple at Madison and the building will be pushed to completion.

Grand Lodge laid the corner stone of the new Temple at Springfield, Aug. 22. Zion Lodge, No. 6, Springfield, was the last of the Territorial Lodges chartered by Iowa. Four of the original charter members were present.

A building is being erected at Spencer, the second story to be used for a Masonic Hall.

St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Yankton, gave an entertainment consisting of music and readings, in the Consistory room of the Temple, Aug. 28..

Ed. S. Ames, Hot Springs, South Dakota, Grand High Priest in 1902-3, died at his home recently. Bro. Ames was very ambitious for the fraternity and endeavored to create a taste for the study of Masonry among the brethren, and to that end began the publication, in June, 1899, of The Signet, "A Monthly Magazine for Freemasons and their families;" at the end of 12 months publication was suspended owing to lack of patronage.

The Observer has just placed a bound volume of this magazine in the Masonic Library at Minneapolis.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Ark Lodge, No. 176, conferred the E. A. degree on two, Aug. 24.

There will be no work in Khurum Lodge, No. 112, prior to Sept. 14.

Ark Chapter, No. 53, R. A. M., will hold its annual election, Monday night, 10th.

Plymouth Lodge, No. 160, has called off its stated meeting tonight because of Labor Day.

For information regarding work at any time, call up the Observer on the T. C. Phone.

Frank H. Forbes, manager of the Masonic Temple, was confined to bed several days last week.

Dont forget the Concert for benefit of the Masonic Library, Wednesday, 12th. Tickets 50 cents.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, will confer the Red Cross and Temple Orders, Tuesday, 11th.

Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., is preparing for its annual entertainment to members and their Ladies.

Minnesota, No. 224, will hold its stated meeting Tuesday; if the Lodge room is not completed, the meeting will be held in an adjacent room.

Cataract, No. 2, conferred the E. A. degree on one, Aug. 25. This Lodge expects to confer the F. C. and M. M. degrees some night this week, but date is not set as we go to press.

Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, called a special last Saturday night to confer the E. A. degree, and may call a special for the F. C. degree this week.

Algate Anderson, member of Khurum Lodge, No. 112, died at his home, Minnewashta, Minn., Aug. 20; his funeral took place from his mother's residence on 6th, ave. N., Minneapolis.

Jerome Tuttle, Paris Lodge, No. 27, Paris, Texas, made a Mason in North Star Lodge, No. 23, now St. Cloud, No. 15, Minn., about 1865, was a caller last week.

Dr. Columbus G. Slagle, 72, of 307 Plymouth Ave. N., a member of Plymouth Lodge, No. 160, A. F. & A. M., died Aug. 27, and was buried at Lakewood, Aug. 29.

J. G. Graves, Tyler of Ark Lodge, sick for the past six months, is now convalescing and will be pleased to have brethren call on him at his residence 3014, 2d, av. S.

Philip Bellin, No. 19, late of Stroudsburg, now of Pittsburgh, Pa., was a caller at this office last week. Bro. Bellin brought his wife west for benefit of our climate and returned home at once.

Joseph A. Shepherd, a member of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, died last Wednesday. Funeral services were conducted by the Commandery Friday afternoon at his late residence at Long Lake. Interment in Ohio.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, A. F. & A. M., will hold its stated meeting Wednesday night, and it is especially desired that there be a full attendance.

The Master Mason degree will be conferred Thursday, beginning at 3 o'clock, and continuing through the evening. As there will be a large number of candidates a special dispensation has been obtained.

A general invitation is extended to all Master Masons and especially to State Fair visitors. Members of "19" should be out in force to entertain visitors.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Harmony Chapter, No. 8, conferred the degrees on four last Tuesday.

Electa Chapter, Missoula, Mont., held a successful lawn social Aug. 15.

Arcana Chapter, No. 38, will confer the degrees at its stated meeting, Tuesday, 4th. Visitors welcome.

Mrs. Carrie M. Finch, of Onyx Chapter, No. 8, Newark Valley, N. Y., is the guest of her sister Mrs. Mary E. R. McGuire, Sec. of Minneapolis Chapter, No. 9, at her home, 3120, Stevens, Av.

Mrs. Abbie E. Reed, W. M., of Minneapolis Chapter, No. 9, is expected home in time to resume the Chapter work, Sept. 10. Let all turn out and give our Worthy Matron a warm reception.—Cor.

GRAND CHAPTER, O. E. S., MINNESOTA.

Twenty-eighth annual meeting, May 9—10, St. Paul. There was an address of welcome by P. C. Williams, No. 18, responded to by W. H. Kirk, No. 8, followed by a short address by Grand Master Thomas Morris. The address of Worthy Grand Matron Elizabeth Thomas is a thorough business paper covering eleven pages. Thirty-seven dispensations were issued, most of which seem to have been caused by the carelessness of officials of Chapters.

Six Chapters were constituted. The constitution was amended so as to provide for a Board of Trustees and a Committee on Jurisprudence, and defining their duties. Charters were granted to six Chapters.

The following amendments to the by-laws were adopted: "Candidates for the degrees shall not be admitted to the ante-room, on the evening their petitions are balloted upon, previous to their election."

"Six candidates shall be the numerical limit to be initiated at one session, except upon a dispensation from the Grand Matron, and fifteen candidates shall be the numerical limit for admission at the instituting of a Chapter."

One hundred dollars was appropriated to the relief of O. E. S. members in California.

Statistics show that the State is divided into 29 districts; that there are 170 chartered chapters and one U. D.; of the 18 missing numbers, 14 are accounted for by having surrendered their charters; the remainder unaccounted for; membership, 11,797; as the printer carelessly mixed the tables on pages 80, 81 and 82, it is difficult to arrive at the loss and gain, and the Secretary's report is silent as to the membership statistics. Typographical errors are numerous, one of them showing our old friend Dr. Chas. J. Bevan, to be Worthy Matron of Rosalia Chapter, U. D., at Villard. According to the report Scotland is the only foreign county having a Grand Chapter.

The Treasurer's report shows: receipts, $8,835.95; expenditures, $3,695.54, balance, $5,140.41; total assets: Widows and Orphans Home Fund, cash, $1,493.49, bonds, $3,000, general fund, $3,646.92.

Most Worthy Grand Matron, Madeleine B. Conkling, Worthy Grand Warder, Ida M. Brown, of the general Grand Chapter, Jessie N. Luther, W. G. M., Wisconsin, Mary N. Farr, W. G. M., and Mary Brown, P. W. G. M., South Dakota, were honored visitors.

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The Library is coming into more general use and visitors as well as residents are daily callers. Needed improvements depend upon the patronage which the Fraternity gives to the series of entertainments which it is proposed to give for the benefit of the Library.

The Concert to be given in the Commandery Hall, Wednesday, Sept., 12, will be one of the finest entertainments of the busy season, and should be well patronized. Come and bring your friends. The Concert is open to all. Tickets 50 cents. See Ad. on another page.

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Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

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Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

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TUESDAY EVENING.
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Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
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Capital City No. 217, St. Paul.
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Arcana Chapter 38, O. E. S., Mpls.
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WEDNESDAY EVENING.
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Constellation Chapter No. 18 (St. Paul).
Montgomery 258 (St. Paul.)

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.

Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
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St. Paul No. 3, (St. P.) Mss. Hall.
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HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"I'm afraid that some of the Masons I have talked with are not as well read in Masonry as I want to be," said the Enthusiastic Young Brother.

"Unless your ambitions are very easily satisfied," said the Old Veteran, "I should think that a very conservative statement."

"I have access to most of the standard books on Masonry, which I am reading, but I should like to keep up with the current work of the fraternity," said the Young Brother. "I have taken the lodge, chapter, and commandery degrees, and I would like to post myself not alone in the ancient usages and landmarks, but in modern rulings and practices. Where can I get that information?"

"In the most easily accessible and least searched repository imaginable," said the Veteran, "meaning by that the reports of committees on foreign correspondence of the three bodies, published in their several proceedings."

"In the reports of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, and Grand Commandery?" asked the Young Brother. "I have often noticed the heading 'Report on Foreign Correspondence,' but supposed it contained merely routine matters and never read it."

"The headline is a little deceptive, conveying no idea of the stores of information to be found in the report," said the Veteran. "Take up the Grand Lodge report, just issued. In the review of the fifty or sixty Grand Lodge proceedings made by the chairman of the committee on foreign correspondence, you will learn more of the modern practices of symbolic Masonry than from all other sources combined. The correspondence report is really the cream of the book, for it discusses all the questions raised in the different jurisdictions, criticises decisions with which the reviewer disagrees, giving the law and and the authorities for the dissenting views, contrasting the practice of one grand jurisdiction with that of another on some moot point, and interspersed are the little dabs the reviewers give each other, reminding one forcibly of kittens at play. What is done for the Grand Lodge, the chairman of the Grand Chapter committee on foreign correspondence, does for the Grand Chapter report, reviewing the proceedings not only of all the Grand Chapters in the United States and Canada, but all others in the world, though those from across the sea seem to give him little to work on, probably not reporting matters as fully as is the custom in the western capitular world. His reports are chatty, spicy, and interesting to anyone who feels an interest in what is going on elsewhere. A similar office for the Grand Commandery is performed by its chairman, to whom are turned over all the reports of the proceedings of



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the other Grand Commanderies, for review and criticism, a service which none could better render than that distinguished brother, who has had the experience to fit him for the work and guide his criticism. These three reports of the three grand bodies in their reports on foreign correspondence alone, will add much to the Young Mason's education in matters Masonic. But you would be astonished to find out how few avail themselves of this information, so easily obtained."

"I should not have known of it, I assure you," said the Young Brother, "for it is the last place I should have thought of looking for instruction on the weighty matters of Masonry."

"Not alone the weighty matters," said the Veteran, "but the lighter ones as well, are treated in these reports, and I have had many a hearty laugh at the amusing way in which things are stated and the amusing arguments indulged in."

"This is all news to me," said the Young Brother.

"I have no doubt," said the Veteran, "that it will be news to the greater numbers of Masons."

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"Well, the lodge elections are over and we will be free from Masonic politics for another year," said the Cheerful Brother.

"Yes," said the Old Veteran, "and no one gets more satisfaction out of that fact than I do."

"You don't get much pleasure out of the election season, then?"

"No; there seems to be something especially polluting about politics—the thirst for office — whether it has to do with the Government or a debating society."

"Oh, you don't mean that the same spirit pervades our lodges in political matters that does the more worldly things?" asked the Cheerful Brother.

"Well, a Mason is a man, and he is very apt to be the same sort of a Mason that he is a man," said the old Veteran. "If he is a self-assertive, self-seeking, grasping man, it is very likely that as a Mason he will go for everything in sight."

"You do not hold it wrong for a brother to have worthy ambitions, do you?"

"By no means. Your qualification of the word 'ambitions' by the word 'worthy' precludes that. But if there is a place in the world where the office should seek the man unaided by the efforts of the man, it is in Masonry."

"You don't think he should go around with a lightning rod up, eh?"

"No; lightning doesn't need fingerboards to know where to strike. But it is not alone the efforts of the man that are objectionable. Sometimes the friends of a very good man will engage in measures that are in bad taste in his behalf without his knowledge or consent."

"I don't believe I understand that," said the Cheerful Brother.

"Have you ever heard of such a thing as a caucus in the interest of somebody as a candidate for something?" asked the Veteran.

"Oh, yes; I have heard of the friends of a candidate getting together to advocate his interests, but I never thought of that as anything particularly wrong.

"It hardly seems the thing for Masons to do, does it?"

"Well, what is wrong about it?"

"For one thing, it is making an inequality in the lodge, for those not belonging to the ring or caucus are not equal in influence and standing for the purpose in hand with those on the inside."

"Are you not making things out a great deal worse than they are?"

"Well, I do not suppose Masons go as far insuch matters as other societies, but I do not like the principle at all."

"Do you think it is wrong for the prominent men of a lodge to get together and boom one of their Past Masters for a position in the line of the Grand Lodge?" asked the Cheerful Brother.

"If I could imagine such a thing as having been done I would consider it against the interests of Masonry." said the Veteran.

"How, then, is a great and good man to gain the recognition that is his due, if he may not go after it himself and his friends may not combine in his interest?"

"If he is really great and good, it will he found out and he will be sought for instead of doing the seeking."

"In the meantime he must sink his talents and his merits, unless somebody else discovers them?"

"Yes; he may not be sinking as much as he thinks he is."

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"It isn't often that I visit any lodge but my own," said the Professional Past Master, "and I never do but what I wish I was a member of that lodge just long enough to straighten things out and show them what is what."

"I have no doubt," said the Old Veteran, "that you see many things to arouse that feeling in you."

"There are too many Past Masters," said the Proffessional, "who, after their term is over, just lie back and let the lodge do as it pleases, or else do not attend the meetings at all."

"Yes, yes," said the Veteran, "many subside into the obscurity from which they sprang, waiting to be consulted before taking an active part, as you suggest, which, however, I think is preferable to staying away, as though they had squeezed the orange and had no taste for the rind."

"Though it is nine years since I was Master," said the Professional, "I flatter myself that I am as influential in my lodge as I was during my year. It is a very new or a very incautious brother who ventures a proposition until he has submitted it to me, and, for that matter, secured my endorsement."

"What do you generally do to a brother who has neglected this simple, necessary, and entirely desirable preliminary?" asked the Veteran.

"Oh, I don't do anything to the brother submitting the proposition," said the Professional, "I don't do a thing to his proposition. Well, it doesn't go through—not often— that's all."

"You must be well supported by the brethren, to be able to make or kill any measure you please," suggested the Veteran.

"Not always," answered the Professional. "I remember one occasion when I had the whole lodge against me and talked them all down until I secured a postponement until the next meeting."

"And then what?"

"Before the next meeting I was consulted and consented to let it go through."

"Well, I guess it's a good thing for a lodge to have a good old conservative, hard-headed Past Master to hold it in line and see that everything goes right and that nothing goes wrong," said the Veteran.

"You bet your life it is," said the Professional, "and I just fit into the place in my lodge, I tell you."

"Yes," said the Old Veteran, "it must be a good thing. But I am reminded of an instance where the conservative, hard-headed old Past Master ran against a snag in a bull-headed young Master up in Michigan, where I put in my youthful Masonic days. The conservative, hard-headed old Past Master had run the administration for about three months of the bull-headed young Master's year, as he had done for the ten years preceding, when the latter interrupted him one evening in the midst of a fiery debate, and said,

'Worshipful Brother Hardhead, nothing gives me greater pleasure than to note your constant presence at our communications and your interest in all matters that concern the lodge. But in the future, so long as I am Master, there will be an end of one-man rule. It is the prerogative of the Master to cause all debate to cease at his will, and one which I will exercise hereafter. The question will now be taken.' Worshipful Brother Hardhead did not attend another meeting during that Master's term."

"Do you know what I would have said to the Master if he had addressed me that way?" asked the Professional.

"No, and I am not going to wait to find out. Goodnight," said the Veteran.—Arthur F. Bloomer.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Zuhrah's Ladies will have a stated meeting, Friday, 14th. It will gratify the President to have a large attendance.

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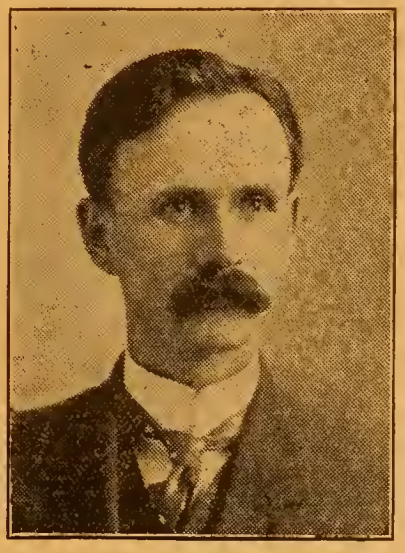
The Stars at Lake City resumed work Sept. 3, and arranged the season's work. Vesta Chapter, Omaha, held a social Aug. 31, in commemoration of Robert Morris. The Stars of Sioux Falls, S. D., lunched in honor of Robert Morris, Aug. 31.

Mistletoe Court, No. 1, O. of A. will hold a card party, Thursday afternoon, 2:30, 6th floor Masonic Temple. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock and there will be work in the evening. Members are urged to be present.

Lorraine Social Club will meet at the home of Sister Matthews, 60, 13th St. S., Tuesday, Sept. 11th. It is hoped that all who were appointed on the committee for special work of this Fall, will be present, as this will be a regular meeting for planning our work.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, after a vacation of two months, will resume its meetings Monday evening, Sept. 10th. The first meeting will be held in the Masonic Library as the Chapter room is not yet out of the hands of the decorators. The worthy matron, Mrs. Abbie Eells Reed, has returned from her extended vacation tour and is in possession of renewed strength and vigor, full of enthusiasm and ready for a hand shake with every number of No. 9. She reports a delightful visit at her old home at Belfast, Maine, at various summer resorts, the sea shore and in the White Mountains. At Belfast she found no Chapter of the O. E. S. but her enthusiasm seemed contagious to the extent that preparations are being made for the organization of a chapter in the near future. With the passing of vacation the thimble bees will be resumed, the first one to be at the home of the worthy matron, 17, North 15th St., next Thursday instead of Wednesday. Please note change in date. Not only members and prospective members are invited but all other friends will be made welcome.—Mrs. McGuire, Cor.

John A. Dahl came to Minnesota with his parents when but five years old and has resided in the State ever since, more than 35 years, twenty-five



JOHN A. DAHL.

of which he has resided in Minneapolis.

His education was secured wholly by his own efforts, graduating from the Academical and Law departments of the State University. He has been in the active practice of the Law for thirteen years, and was assistant County Attorney two years. Mr. Dahl has arrived at an age when, if ever, he can be a useful and efficient public official, and believes that by training and experience he is well qualified for the office he seeks, that of **Judge of Probate.**

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Among the younger lawyers of the City who are coming into prominence in their chosen profession, none perhaps, are better known than

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Mr. Jayne is a "native son," having been born on a farm in this State nearly thirty-eight years ago; all of his early years being spent in the labors of the farm and in gaining an education in country schools, from which he passed to the Winona High School. From the high school he went into railway business as a telegrapher, gaining gradual promotion until he reached the position of cashier in the office of a large station.

Feeling the need of a better education, young Jayne prepared himself for and entered the University of Michigan at the age of seventeen, remaining in that institution until he was twenty. At the early age of twenty-one he was admitted to the Bar and has practiced law in the courts of Minnesota ever since, and has become a successful practitioner.

While always taking an active part in republican politics, Mr. Jayne has never been a candidate for any salaried public office until, at the urgent request of many friends among members of the Bar of Minneapolis, he filed for the office of Special Judge of the Municipal Court, which office his successful practice has peculiarly fitted him for.

While pursuing the active duties of his profession, Mr. Jayne has found diversion in athletic sports and is one of the best known athletes in the Northwest. He is also an earnest worker in Church circles and is at present in charge of the Christian Citizenship work of the Minnesota Union of Christian Endeavor societies.

Mr. Jayne is well known and in great demand as a singer, individually and as a member of the well known Minnesota Quartet, which latter body is well and favorably known among the Masonic Bodies of the Northwest.

Mr. Jayne is an active member of several Masonic Bodies, notably Minnesota Lodge, No. 224, Saint Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., and Darius Commandery, No. 7, K. T.

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Supreme Council, Northern Jurisdiction, Boston, Sept. 18.

No one has lived a short life who has performed its duties with unblemished character.

The Masonic Home Committee held a meeting in St. Paul last Thursday and outlined plans for incorporating.

The proportion of Knights Templar to Master Masons in the United States is in the ratio of 156,201 to 1,011,547, equal to 1 to 6.48.

The proportion of Knights Templar to Royal Arch Masons in the United States is in the ratio of 156,201 to 276,066, equal to 1 to 1.77.

Both Governor John A. Johnson and republican candidate Cole are Masons; the latter being a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies of Minneapolis.

Can an officer of a Masonic Lodge resign? In Minnesota any officer, except the Worshipful Master and Wardens may resign, provided the Lodge by-laws do not prohibit such resignation.

We have noticed one thing which is becoming too common in all lodges. As the lodge is nearing the close both officers and members loosen their aprons and in many cases remove them. No attempt to remove the apron should be made until after the fall of the gavel in the East.

Edward Rosewater, founder and editor of the Omaha Bee, one of the best known newspaper men in the country, died suddenly recently. His funeral was conducted by Covert Lodge, No. 11, at Omaha, Sunday, Sept 2.

CONCORD, R. A. C. No. 2.

R. W. John C. Drewry, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, is in receipt of a letter from a gentleman (not a Mason) in which he states: "I ask your help in locating the owner of a Masonic emblem of which I know something. An old colored man who formerly belonged to my people has a gold locket containing two pictures, a young woman and a rather young middle-aged woman. In the back it is engraved, "S. L. Butler, Concord, R. A. C. No. 2, January 25, 5861." On the other side it has a Masonic emblem. It was found by his wife's father during the war at a warehouse in Raleigh. I have seen it frequently, and I am sure that the relatives of the owner, if he be dead, would like to get it. The old man is satisfied to keep it, but I think it ought to go back, although I am sure he would expect pay for it."

Semi-Centenarians.

Minnesota's roll of semi-centenarian members of Masonic Lodges, contains the following names. The Observer will be pleased to obtain the names of any others.

John Young Reeve, John Francis Martin, 1845; George William Hiltz, 1848; John Nevin, Giles William Merrill, John Wadlin Miller, 1850; Josiah Blodgett Chaney, 1852; Franklin Adams Welles, Wm. Penn McCormack, Alvah Andrew Crampton, William Pitt Murray, Ludolph Aug. Fullgraff, Samuel Emery Adams, William Henry Hoit, James Abell, 1853; Jas. M. D. Craft, Robert Crawford Wiley, John Burrows Cook, Wm. Solomon Combs, 1854; Joseph Reif, 1855; Paul Miller, 1856.

Bro. C. C. Curtiss has returned from New York City where he has been in the interest of a new Copy Book which he is about to publish.

Minnehaha Lodge, No. 165, expects to confer the M. M. degre in the near future. See Observer for date.

Ark Chapter, No. 53, R. A. M., will hold its annual election, Monday night, 10th.

ROUND ABOUT.

The Scottish Rite bodies at Duluth will resume business sessions, Oct. 4. Nelson Lodge, No. 135, Buffalo, conferred the F. C. degre last Saturday, and the M. M. degree, Monday, 10th, Faribault Lodge, No. 9, will hold a picnic at Oak Harbor, Cannon Lake, Tuesday, 11th, at the invitation of Dr. A. C. Rogers. Aurora Lodge, No. 100, Brainerd, will picnic at Deerwood some day this week. Owing to a change in plans work has been delayed on the new Temple at Winona; it will not be completed this year. The R. A. degree was conferred by the Chapter at Austin, Aug. 31. Hope Chapter, No. 12, R. A. M., Lake City, held a largely attended business meeting last Thursday night at which much work was outlined for the season.

Vermont.

Grand Council R. and S. M. Fifty-third annual June 12. An invitation was extended by the M. I. G. M. to all companions to seats in the G. C. during the Assembly. We like that much better than a motion. The G. M. is of the opinion, in which we concur, that if the constitution made it the duty of the G. M. to visit each Subordinate Council, and made appropriation for traveling expenses, much more might be accomplished. Twenty-five dollars was appropriated for this purpose.

Number of Councils, 17; Members, 1319.

Grand Commandery, Sixty-fourth annual, June 12. Referring to the destruction of San Francisco, the Grand Commander said: "As the earth rocks to and fro, though for but a moment, how helpless and insignificant we are! Masonry strong and durable, beams and bands of steel are but as heaps of sand and withes of straw when Nature exhibits her tremendous power. From the experience of our unfortunate brethren we should learn lessons of deepest humility. Behind, around and beneath is something mightier than man's boasted strength."

Commanderies, 12, members, 2177.

K. T.

There were in 1905, 45 Grand Commanderies, 1,141 subordinate commanderies, having a membership of 156,357.

The largest Grand Commandery, is Pennsylvania with 16,813 members, Pittsburg, No. 1, Pa., has the largest membership, 1,250.

Newport Lodge, No. 118, conferred the E. A. degree at its stated meeting, Sept. 3.

MANY LIKE HIM.

"Are you a Mason?" a young man asked as he entered the Library recently. "I am. What can I do for you"? "I've been thinking of joining and I want to learn all I can about the order first." "I will be pleased to give you such information as I can. What do you especially want to know?" "Well! I want to know what it will cost, which is the best Lodge in the city and what I can get out of it."

"The fee for the three degrees conferred in every Lodge in this city is $50.00. I can't advise you as to which is the best Lodge; the work in conferring the degrees is the same in each and the lessons taught are universal. If you want to learn who your associates will be if you are admitted, you should call on the secretaries of the several Lodges who will impart such information which may enable you to make a choice."

"Is there any further information I can give you?" "Yes! I want to know what there is in it for myself? What can I get out of it in a business way, and what advantages can I gain by joining a Masonic Lodge?"

"The lessons taught in Masonry are calculated to make men wiser, better and consequently happier. If you are capable of learning these lessons and profiting by them, you are 'fit material'. If you can rise to the altitude of the privileges and opportunities offered you, Masonry will be worth to you what you put into it. Masonry is designed to bring out and elevate the very best that is in a man, and does not depend upon the number of its accessions. If you simply deserve to become a Mason that you may obtain some financial benefit or to gratify some ambition, then you would spend any money paid for the degrees very foolishly."

"But I thought Masons hung together and helped each other."

"They do, but in my opinion you are not looking for the kind of help rendered by Masons and are not capable of appreciating or benefiting by the lessons taught by Masonry, and suggest that you would better not apply for admission into an institution whose teaching and beauties you are probably unable to appreciate."

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, will confer the Red Cross and Temple Orders, Tuesday, 11th.

Minnesota Lodge, No. 224, received one petition and elected one for degrees, last Tuesday.

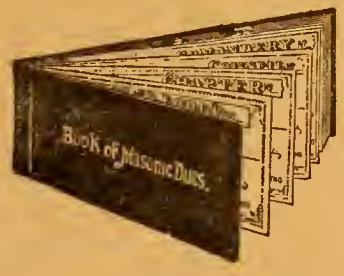


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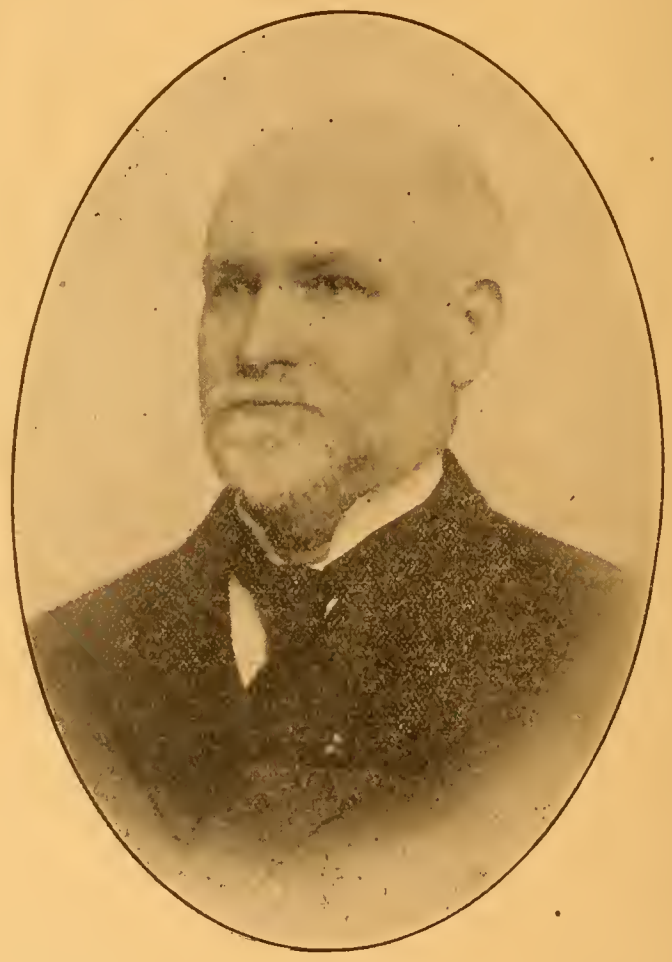
Frank Forbes is still confined to his home by serious sickness.

Are you going to attend the concert for the benefit of the Library, Wednesday night? Its you Library and your benefit.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, held a well attended stated meeting last Wednesday, at which considerable business was transacted. Worshipful Master Pray is a good presiding officer, being rapid, courteous and firm. A. A. Keith of Khurum, 112, R. A. Sowers, Hebron, No. 465, Pa., and J. A. Heidbrink, were visitors.

Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, will confer the Master Mason degree tonight, Monday, in the old Scottish Rite Hall, 4th floor. This Lodge called a special Sept. 1, and conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on one; another special was held last Wednesday night in the Scottish Rite Hall at which the Fellow Craft degree was conferred on three.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, had a largely attended special communication last Thursday afternoon and evening for work on the Master Mason degree. Work began at 3 o'clock and was called off at 6 o'clock for dinner which was served by Maas. Resuming at 7:30, the work was continued in full form with Worshipful Master Pray in the East, Junior Warden Chesher in the West and Dayton Adams in the South. Seven candidates received the degree with all the solemnity and impressiveness which characterizes the work of this Lodge. The musical numbers were rendered by the Masonic Quartet composed of W. B. Heath, D. A. Davies, F. E. Barrow and W. N. Nourse. The historical lecture was given by Past Master C. C. Reynolds in an effective manner. Sen. Grand Warden, W. P. Roberts, S. B. Washburn, P. M. of Khurum, J. K. Ferguson of No. 224, and Rev. J. B. Hingeley occupied seats in the East. Visitors were numerous. We noted: John Strung, Cresco, 150, L. H. Smith, No. 70, John Buehler, No. 322, Iowa; Wm. Neil, St. Andrews, 7, Cape Breton; Gordon V. Morse, 60, E. C. Carrott, 33, C. H. Greene, 263, R. Burch, 30, John Wall, W. H. Minish, N. R. Cushing, 160, W. L. Nieman, 5, J. H. Coates, 92, W. O. Chase, 176, W. W. Ehle, 165, Minn.; H. W. Cushman, 7, E. B. Saxton, 18, Mich. (Bro. Saxton, who is visiting his son, a memmebr of No. 19, was made a Mason in Elgin, Ill., in February, 1857.) George Jackson, 148, Texas (Bro. Jackson was made a Mason in Virginia, was a member in Baltimore, served on the medical staff in the Confederate army, was a member of a Lodge and Chapter in North Carolina in the early '60's is now and for many years has been Treasurer of Lodge, Chapter and Commandery at Fort Worth, Texas.) A. F. Senechab, 142, C. R. Damuth, 34, So. Dak; J. W. Manford, 411, Wm. Myer, 656, Ill.; H. M. Washburn, 225, Kansas; L. D. Smith, Paul Dean, Mass.; E. S. Klemptner, 9, Wash.



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Following are the dates for meetings of the Bodies in Saint Paul:

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HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"If I did not know the work I would not attempt to confer a degree," said the Dead Sure Brother, as he lighted a lodge cigar. "Nothing makes me tired quicker than to hear a lot of errors at such a time."

"There are not many of us who can play an errorless game," said the Oh I Don't Know Brother. "In fact, I don't believe I have ever seen and heard a degree that was absolutely faultless."

"Didn't you notice the mistakes that the Master made in the obligation?" asked the Dead Sure Brother.

"Nope," said the Oh I Don't Know Brother. "But, then, you see, I was a Worshipful Master myself once and got it firmly driven into me that Worshipful Masters can make mistakes."

"Well, there is no excuse for it," said Dead Sure.

"It seems to me that I heard the Master call you down one night for bringing in a candidate in an unprepared condition while you were acting as Steward," said Oh I Don't Know. "Of course, you have a good excuse—I know that before you make it."

"Oh, well, that didn't amount to anything," said Dead Sure. "Anybody is likely to make a mistake like that once in a while."

"And another time I remember you were necked for neglecting a little formality connected with entering a lodge," said Oh I Don't Know, "and when you attempted to comply with the requirements you did it all wrong."

"What do such little things signify?" asked Dead Sure. "Besides, I'm not talking about the mistakes of mere members, but those of the Worshipful Master and those doing the work of a degree."

"I see," said Oh I Don't Know. "Also, you are not talking about your own mistakes, but those of others."

"Well, as I said before," said Dead Sure, "if I didn't know the work and couldn't do it right I wouldn't try to do it."

"Son," said a Patriarch standing by, "it is always easier to play the game on the bleachers than it is on the diamond, and all the best players are located there."

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"I wonder why Masonic usages and practices differ so much from the ordinary parliamentary customs?" asked the Inquiring Brother.

"Possibly because they antedate all modern parliamentary practice," said the Patriarch. "And possibly also because no ordinary presiding officer possesses the powers that pertain to the Worshipful Master."

"It is easy to understand why a motion to adjourn has no standing in a Masonic body," said the Inquiring Brother, "but why not the motion to lay on the table?"

"The motion to lay on the table is a modern invention to kill by indirection," said the Patriarch, "and is chiefly valuable because it enables the killing to be done without debate, whereas there is no question in a Masonic body that is not debatable if any brother wishes to debate it. Indirection is not permissible in Masonry, and every question must be decided definitely, even though nothing more definite be done than to postpone to a certain time."

"I never hear any one move the previous question," continued the Inquiring Brother.

"No, and you probably never will," said the Patriarch. "The previous question is only moved and carried in order to close debate in deliberative bodies not Masonic; but with us debate is never limited or closed as long as any wish to speak."

"Well, can you explain the lapses of grammar that occur in our ritual?" asked the Inquiring Brother.

"No particular lapses of grammar in the ritual occur to me," said the Patriarch. "Perhaps the lapses were the inventions of those rendering it when you observed them."

"No; I have noticed a number, and as rendered by different and educated men," said the Inquirer.

"There may be some, son," said the Patriarch; "but our ritual was made at a time when grammar was not everything. Anyhow, no man who ever wrote a grammar ever wrote anything else."

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"There is a coolness and a lack of fraternal feeling among the Masons of this city that it is hard for me to get used to," said the brother from Squashpatch Lodge, "and altogether different from what we have in the West."

"In what way have your feelings been hurt, Brother, by the indifference of our brethren?" asked the Veteran.

"Oh, I have no especial grievance," said the Squashpatch Brother, "except that I meet Masons on the street who have no more than a nod for me in answer to my salutations. In my town they would shake hands and ask how you were at least."

"Do you mean brethren with whom you are acquainted?" asked the Veteran.

"Oh, no—Masons wearing charms or pins. Just anyone whom I may meet."

"What do they do in Squashpatch when a stranger comes along wearing a Masonic charm?"

"After satisfying ourselves that he has a right to wear it we ask if we can't be of some service to him, ask him to our house and lodge, and make him feel that he is not a stranger in a strange land, but in the house of his friends."

"And here?"

"Here a stranger might walk the length of Nicollet Avenue and meet a hundred Masons, and not one of them would notice him, except such as he happens to be personally acquainted with."

"Brother," said the Veteran, "if

you will get a horse and buggy and ride a dozen miles out into the country you will find that every man you meet in the road will salute you and pass the time of day, and if you drive on until evening overtakes you, the chances are that some farmer will invite you to put your horse in the stable and come in to supper, stay all night, and take breakfast in the morning, and the good housewife will spread herself to provide the best the household possesses for your entertainment, and when you resume your journey in the morning you will give offense if you offer to pay for what you have had."

"Well, what has that got to do with it?" asked Squashpatch.

"It's got everything to do with it," said the Veteran. "In the country, and even in Squashpatch, I suppose, strangers are a novelty and people feel inclined toward them. Here and in any great city you meet ten strangers to every acquaintance, and if you were to set about the entertainment of every stranger you met you would not have time for anything else and would make very little headway in your self-imposed task."

"Well," said Squashpatch, "there may be something in that."

"There is everything in it," said the Veteran. "There is reason for everything in this world. We do not become excited over the presence of strangers and our horses do not shy at the electric cars for the same reason—both are used to them." -Arthur F. Bloomer.

MASONRY IN MINNESOTA.

(fifth paper)

The fifth annual was held in St. Paul Jan. 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th, 1857. Although Grand Master Pierson in his address styles this the "the fourth session," it is in reality the fifth as a Grand Lodge was opened February 24, 1853, officers installed and committees appointed.

The address opens with the statement that "The first General Assembly of Masons, of which we have now any record, was held in the year two hundred and eighty-seven," and briefly reviews Masonry down to 1717.

The address indicates that Grand Master Pierson has read much but studied little. But it is not our intention to criticise.

The Minnesota Historical Society having requested the Grand Master to lay the "foundation stone for a building which they propose to erect for the accommodation of the society", the request was complied with and on St. John the Baptist's day, June 24, 1857, the first corner stone was laid by the Grand Lodge of Minnesota. Over two hundred brethren were present. The Grand Master took advantage of the occasion to lay the corner stone of a building to be erected in St. Paul, which it was hoped would eventually become the property of the Grand Lodge. Although the Grand Master urged the investment of the surplus funds of the Grand Lodge in this building, the committee to whom the question was referred, being divided in opinion recommended that the question of investment of funds be left to the Trustees; this prevailed.

Grand Master refused a dispensation for the formation of a lodge to work in the German language, one of the applicants being the W. M. of Modestia Lodge, Buffalo, N. Y.

In reference to the work the Grand Master said: "The ceremonial is very uniform, but the language used never was, and probably never will be identical in each lodge, even in the same jurisdiction. So long as the esoteric work of Masonry depends for its perpetuity upon the memory of man, so long variation in language must be expected; it is only surprising that there is not more diversity. Provided the ideas conveyed are the same, and correct, it is perhaps immaterial in what language those ideas may be clothed; but the old language is always the best, makes the strongest impression, and assists in supporting our claims to antiquity." "The reports," of investigation committees, should not be accepted from a minority, nor even a majority, but from the whole number appointed."

Charters were voted to the following Lodges which had been working under dispensation: Faribault, 9; Pacific, 10; Mantorville, 11; Mankato, 12; Henderson, 13; Wapahasa, 14; St. Cloud, 15; Monticello, 16; Hoka, 17, and Winona, 18.

In his financial report the secretary does not show that Henderson, No. 13, paid the charter fee.

An invitation from the Masonic Fraternity of St. Paul to a supper at the Fuller House was accepted.

The regulation providing that the representatives of two thirds of the lodges convened are necessary to open and transact business in the Grand Lodge, was repealed.

Hennepin Lodge, No. 1, having for two years neglected to certify the proceedings by which a member had been expelled was given sixty days in which to comply with an order of Grand Lodge, and the sentence of expulsion was suspended until the next session of Grand Lodge. The transcript being before Grand Lodge the following year, the evidence was not deemed sufficient to sustain the verdict, therefore the sentence was reversed and the case remanded for a new trial. The Lodge evidently did better next time as a new sentence of expulsion was affirmed at the next session which was held in October of the same year, 1858. Hennepin has the distinction of "raising" the first Mason and expelling the first in the Northwest.

A resolution was adopted requesting the Grand Secretary to prepare a list of members of lodges and publish the same in the proceedings. If this was complied with the list was omitted from the reprint. Only the G. M., G. Wardens, Treasurer and secretary were installed. The Grand Treasurer reports a balance at the close of the session, of $846.25. A. T. C. Pierson, re-elected Grand Master; Geo. W. Prescott, Grand Secretary. The committee on Foreign Correspondence presented its first report which was printed in the proceedings.

R. A. M. Elections.

Palmyra Chapter, No. 55, held its annual convocation, Tuesday, 11th. The following officers were elected, appointed and installed for the ensuing year: B. A. Phillips, High Priest; F. E. Thayer, King; H. L. Burrill, Scribe; C. P. Montgomery, Captain of the Host; M. McKay, Principal Sojourner; C. N. Orr, Royal Arch Captain; M. Frisk, Master Third Veil; C. H. Greene, Master Second Veil; H. J. Marvin, Master First Veil; C. W. Moore, Treasurer; George E. Rouse, Secretary; John H. Ludwig, Sentinel. The installation was uder the direction of George N. Houghton, Grand King. This Chapter has had a prosperous year; has held ten stated and seven special convocations and exalted twenty. Its present membership is eighty-nine.

Ark Chapter, No. 53, held its annual convocation, Sept. 10, at which the following officers were elected: Wm. H. Germond, High Priest; Wm. W. Rowell, King; Wm. E. Rentfrow, Scribe; F. B. Messer, Treasurer, L. A. Countryman, Secretary; Frank M Flory, Captain of the Host; appointments not announced. Installation will take place Sept. 24.

A Subscriber? If not, why?

THE EASTERN STAR.

Mankato, Minn., Stars resumed work Sept. 12.

Royalton Chapter, 111, Minn., had an auction and served refreshments after regular business, Sept. 11.

Mary E. R. McGuire, whose ad. appears in this issue, is a well known member of the O. E. S. of this city.

Winslow Chapter, No. 182, Thief River Falls, held a largely attended meeting, Sept. 12. Grand Matron Yould was present.

The Stars at Kenmare, N. D., surprised Sister Burke with a supper at Masonic hall, and presented her with a ring set with pearls.

Rev. M. A. Matthews, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Seattle, delivered a sermon Sept. 2, "complimentary to The Eastern Star."

Stars of Brookings, S. D., entertained their Sisters of Arlington, Aug. 31; lunching them at noon, driving them in the afternoon and teaing them in the evening.

Lorraine Chapter, No. 16, will hold its stated meeting Monday night, 17th., in the Masonic Library if the Hall is not completed; it is hoped that the attendance will be large.

Grand Meadow, Minn., Stars, appreciating the efforts of Miss Lydia Schleiger in the interest shown by her for that organization, gave a party in her honor recently.

After regular business and initiation last Tuesday night, Crookston, Minn., Stars had an elaborate banquet. Grand Worthy Matron Yonld and Grand Master Morris were in attendance.

The Hancock, Minn., Record, has the following: "The members of the Eastern Star Lodge met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stuart last night owing to the illness of the latter and enjoyed a very pleasant evening." It must have been pleasant for Mrs. Wm. to know that they were enjoying themselves with Wm.

AMARANTH.

St. Paul Court No. 2, Order of the Amaranth, the highest degree in the Adoptive Rite to which only Master Masons and members of the O. E. S. are eligible, was constituted and dedicated, Sept. 11, 1906 at the Hall of Summit Lodge No. 163, A. F. & A. M., Cor. Laurel and Mackubin Avenues, St. Paul.

The meeting was called to order and the comission of H. S. Tuttle, as Deputy Supreme Patron, was read; by virtue of his authority as constituting officer, he appointed Mrs. A. M. Smith, as Royal Matron, and Alex. Gardner, as Royal Patron, who presided during the ceremonies of appointing and conducting to their several stations and places the following persons appointed by the Deputy Supreme Patron to represent the Supreme Council: Alice Y. Bordwell, Associate Supreme Matron, as Supreme Matron; Ada Wakeman, as Supreme Assistant Matron; H. W. Phillips, as Supreme Ass. Patron; Annie M. Keiler, as Supreme Secretary; Annie Chadwick, as Supreme Treasurer; Nellie McCall, as Supreme Conductress; Celia Smith, as Supreme Ass. Conductress; Martha Emery, as Supreme Warder; Isaac Bowers, as Supreme Sentinel; Mary Tuttle, as Supreme Marshal in the East; Annie Chadwick, as Supreme Marshal in the West; Emma Nelson, as Supreme Organist; Ada Deming, as Supreme Truth; Sarah Latz, as Supreme Faith; Sophie Pool, as Supreme Wisdom; Botilla Smith, as Supreme Charity. The Court was then duly constituted an dthe following officers installed: Eleanor Young, Royal Matron, Alex. Gardner, Royal Patron, Marion Seward, Ass. Matron, Helen Sloggy, Secretary, Harriet Soule, Treasurer, Elizabeth Yorke, Conductress, Daisy E. Yorke, Ass. Conductress, who will carry forward the work of the new Court, which starts out with a large membership and bids fair to become one of the leading societies of the Northwest.—Annie M. Keiler, Secretary.

ELECTION.

Dear Brother Editor: For the last three months I have been actively engaged in election matters; that is to say, in trying to keep our brothers of my Lodge from pulling one another's hair on the great question of who shall be our next ———. Now, I am a man who never could see anything to get excited about at election time. I actually married a woman whose father had been to Congress, so little do I care for the conventional etiquette of the day. One of my cousins is a Minneapolis Alderman and yet he often comes in to see me, and I go out to lunch with him at Regan's arm in arm, publicly, and sometimes I am invited to sit at the "knocker's table. Of course people point at us, and whisper; but what do I care. I've got to go out in public and I've got to eat, and how one can do so and not be in company of a candidate, these days, is more than I can fathom. All my own, and my wife's relations and all the members of my Lodge, are candidates; most of them for the same office.

The members of my Lodge have bet their money—oh how they did bet! The J. H. had a serious altercation with the O. P.—so serious that we have had no meeting since I saw you last, and goodness knows when we shall meet again. Brother Blank was imprudent enough to hand me a card in the Lodge room, to which the Sword Bearer so much objected, that he went out, sword and all, leaving us in the room to get out through the air shaft. It is a horrid affair all around, and I don't know how its going to end.

But I started out to ask you a question of Masonic law. But first I want to refer you to a tale which Bro. J. E. calls a conundrum. Snyder's dog had his tail cut off, and the owner bought a box of salve and applied it to the stump. Instantly a new tail sprouted forth. A boy picked up the old piece, and put salve to that; instantly a new dog sprouted forth. Now, which is the original dog.

Lodge A, having got into bad condition, twelve of its members got a dispensation, and went to work. They did so well, that all but seven of the old members joined them. Now, which is the original Lodge?

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Kaaba Temple, Mystic Shrine, will confer degrees at Oskaloosa, Iowa, Sept. 20.

The Grand Chapter, R. A. M., will hold its annual convocation in St. Paul, Tuesday, Oct. 9.

The Masonic Temple Company, Limited, has been incorporated for the purpose of erecting a temple at Regina, Sask.

Eveleth Lodge, No. 239, Minn., conferred the M .M. degree on five, Sept. 4, for Virginia, No. 264, at Virginia; this was the first work done at Virginia.

Local newspapers give the names of officers of the Masonic Home Association; our understanding is that officers were not elected, the persons named being merely suggested for officers.

The Redlodge, Montana, Picket, in describing a Masonic Meeting says: "An entertaining talk was made by Attorney Ricketts of Clark, Wyo., who is a 95th degree Egyptian Mason and a Scottish Rite Mason."

Paladin Commandery, No. 21, St. Paul, held a special Tuesday, 11th., and conferred the Order of the Red Cross; this was the first work since the Summer vacation and was well attended. The Order of the Temple will be conferred Thursday, 20th.

Grand Master Thomas Morris assisted by Deputy Grand Master Widell, Senior Grand Warden Roberts and Grand Secretary Montgomery, laid the corner stone of the City Hall, at Owatonna, Sept. 8.

Grand Master Morris made the Observer a pleasant call last Monday. We are always glad to meet him, he is such an earnest Mason and genial gentleman, known to his intimates as "Tom.," which in no wise detracts from his dignity. This Most Worthy gentleman is making a special effort to see as many of the Lodges as possible, and especially those which have not heretofore been thus favored.

The Observer has been mailed weekly, for 13 months, by the present owner, to several Secretaries who have never responded with an item of news. Henceforth it will only be sent to those who appreciate it. It may not be of any value to the individual, but it should be worth something to know what is taking place in other bodies. If any secretary will inform us that the Observer is a welcome visitor we will gladly send it. So far none have ordered its discontinuance or acknowledged its receipt.

MASONIC CONVERSATIONS.

It was a source of pleasure to us to be present at a Masonic meeting a few evenings ago, under an intelligent presiding officer. The able manner in which he discharged all the duties of his office, the attention that his manner of discharging those duties commanded from the brethren the earnest desire of every brother present to hear every word that came from his lips, the readiness with which his decisions were bowed to, and the satisfaction which they gave the brethren, all went to convince us that our Worshipful Brother was indeed Master of his Lodge. One feature we noted especially, and it particularly pleased us; the regular business of the Lodge was over; there was no "work", as the conferring of degrees is called, and instead of closing his Lodge, as most Masters do under such circumstances, he said, "Brethren, we can now spend a half hour profitably in Masonic conversation. Is there anything on which a brother requires light or has any brother a suggestion to make, that may benefit us all as Masons? Let us have a regular family talk over Masonic matters generally." A Masonic "family talk" ensued that interested all the brethren present. We know it interested us. There was no subtle discussion; no effort at display; no effort at gaining a personal triumph. The eliciting of truth only seemed to be the object of every one present.

How many Masters of Lodges might follow this excellent example, and have their "Masonic Conversations"—their "family talk over Masonic matters generally" with profit and satisfaction to themselves and their brethren.

Can a Master Mason become a member of a Lodge without signing the by-laws? In Minnesota one who has received the Master Mason degree or been elected to membership in a particular Lodge becomes a member thereof without signing the by-laws.

SCOTTISH RITE.

Following are the dates for meetings of the Bodies in Saint Paul:

Sept. 19, 4°, 5°.
Sept. 24, 6°, 7°, 8°.
Oct. 2, 9°, 10°, 11°.
Oct. 17, 12°, 13°.
Oct. 30, 14°.
Nov. 13, 15°.
Nov. 20, 17°.
Nov. 18, 18°.

Minneapolis.

Sept. 27—Consistory.
Oct. 4—Balloting.
Oct. 8—Lodge Of Perfection Degrees.
Oct. 9—Rose Croix Degrees.
Oct. 10—Council Knights Kadosh Degrees.
Oct. 11—Consistory Degrees.
Petitions must be received on or before Sept. 26.

"We recognize in the Observer a faithful and intelligent exponent of Masonic events in this and other Grand Jurisdictions and recommend it to the favorable consideration of the Fraternity". (Report of Committee on Jurisprudence, Grand Lodge of Minn., Jan. 1905.)

The Minneapolis Bodies will resume labors by a regular meeting of the Consistory, Sept. 27. There will be a reunion for work, Oct. 8—11, for which petitions must be in the hands of the Registrar by Sept. 26; balloting in all the bodies Oct. 4.

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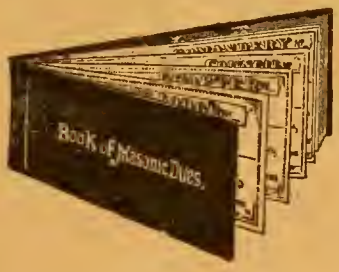
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Frank Forbes is still confined to his home by serious sickness.

Minnesota Lodge, No. 224, will hold its stated meeting, Tuesday night as usual.

The Grand Council, R. & S. M., will hold its annual assembly in Minneapolis, Monday, Oct. 8.

The Lodge room on the second floor of the Temple is nearing completion and will be ready for use next week.

Edward W. De Mott, Santa Ana, Calif., a member of Ark Lodge, No. 176, who has been seriously sick with Typhoid fever, is convalescing.

The concert given last Wednesday night by the Polmatier Sisters for the benefit of the Masonic Library, was a success in all but attendance.

Darius Commandery, No. 7, conferred the Red Cross Order on 5 last Wednesday; the Order of the Temple will be conferred Wedensday night, 19th.

Saint Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., stated convocation, Tuesday, 18th. This will be the last meeting before Grand Chapter Annual and there is much important business.

Brother C. F. E. Peterson is a candidate for nomination as a member of the Park Board; as he is well and favorably known throughout the City his nomination seems to be assured.

Cataract Lodge, No. 2, conferred the M. M. degree on two, Sept. 7; the attendance was good and work well done. The extremely hot weather prevented the attendance of our reporter.

Minneapolis Council, No. 2, R. & S. M., stated assembly, Friday, 21st. This will be the last meeting before Grand Council, and the annual election and installation of officers will occur; a general attendance is desired.

The Observer's suggestion that the Grand Master be invited to pay an official visit to Minneapolis, has not borne fruit. Why not have a joint meeting at which members of all the Lodges might meet their Chief.

Dr. F. E. Twitchell of Wilton, N. H., who has been here looking after the affairs of his late Uncle, Geo. H. Simpson, returns east on the 17th. Mrs. Simpson goes to Massachusetts and New Hampshire on the 18th for an extended visit.

Thomas Matthews, of Star and Thistle Lodge, No. 509, Valparaiso, Chili, under the Grand Register of Scotland, and James H. A. Ingram of Union Lodge, No. 767, Karachee, India, under the Grand Register of England, were visitors at the Masonic Library, last week.

Another of our young men who is a candidate for the office of Park Commissioner, is Edward E. Easthagen. Brother Easthagen was born in Minneapolis twenty-eight years ago and is the son of the well known merchant tailor, John Easthagen. Brother Easthagen stands for the making of permanent improvements in all the parks, especially those which are now raw lands; he also favors connecting the lakes by a canal, and maintaining a higher lake level in Calhoun. He is a member of Ark Lodge, Ark Chapter, Zion Commandery and Zuhrah Temple. His portrait appears in this issue.



EDWARD E EASTHAGEN.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, had a fairly well attended special communication last Monday night, called for the purpose of raising two. The Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens were in their stations, and the Senior Deacon in his place; Past Master Dustin as Junior Deacon. Past Master Moreau of No. 4, Pearce of No. 2, and W. M. McCluskey, of 160, took the places of the three R's., and all the work, regardless of the fact that it was done in a room to which the officers were unaccustomed, was well rendered.

The old Temple Quartet, composed of D. A. Davis, H. A. Stuart, G. H. Lugsdin and W. H. Eichman, sang the musicial numbers to the satisfaction and gratification of all.

Why don't we hear these gentlemen more frequently? The visitors, in addition to those named, were: E. F. Law, Kankakee, 389, Ill.; Dayton Adams and W. F. Carrott, 19, J. L. Dahl, 224, Thos. Nimlos, 176, Minnesota.

One of the candidates was Frank W. Lagerquist, son of Gus. Lagerquist who is a well known Mason and business man of Minneapolis. Young Lagerquist is a student at the U. S. Naval Academy at Anapolis, to which he was appointed by U. S. Senator Nelson about three years ago. His father was present at the conferring of the degree.

George F. Moulton of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, died Sept. 10. His funeral took place on the 12th from his late residence, 1500 3rd Ave. S., and was conducted by Rev. Dr. Bushnell, the Masonic Quartet singing the hymns. Burial was at Lakewood.

Brother Moulton was born in Ohio sixty-two years ago; he was initiated in Minneapolis Lodge Jan. 29, passed June 3, and raised June 23, 1885.

IN THE VOTING BOOTH.

By Henry Slade Goff in Farm, Stock and Home.

Here I weigh the declarations
And the purposes of men;
Here I view the drift of nations,
Summoning all my powers of ken.
Not in sordid disposition
Shall I act this day my part,
But that favorable transition
May give hope to human heart.

Cannon shot and bullet's rattle
Men have dared for you and me;
Sires and sons have faced the battle
That their country might be free.
High above all prostitution
Must we act our part, in truth;
Party zeal or vile pollution
Shall not rule this blood-bought booth.

Get thee, satan, far behind me;
Worlds or kingdoms shall not win,
Coupled with a vow to bind me
Here to servitude of sin.
Unimpelled by motives pelfish
Shall this vote of mine be cast;
Action here shall be unselfish
As the race of man is vast.

Sacred this as last transaction—
Last, indeed, for ought I know;
Here's for right a benefaction,
And for wrong its overthrow.
Holy ground where prophet tarries
At the bush on Horeb's soil;
Hallowed this, where patriot carries
Woe or weal for human toil.

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Lodge Directory.

BLUE LODGE.

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ST. PAUL 3. (St. P.) 1st Fri. Mas. Hall. F. J. Plondke, W. M., 490 Endicott Arcade. P. S. Hendricksoo, Sec., care Nat. Ger. Am. Bk. (N. W. M. 210.)

Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 5 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 375.)

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PLYMOUTH 160. (Mpls.) 1st and 3d Mon. 304 20th av. N. Frank H. McCuskey, W. M., G. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

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STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
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Minneapolis 19, Mpls.
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STATED.
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HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

The choir were sitting in the little rear room during a part of the degree in which there was no demand for their services.

"Have you thought of anything in particular in the way of novelties to sing at the visitations this Fall?" asked the First Bass.

("The watchdog is snarling," hummed the First Tenor.)

"No," said the Second Bass, who usually acted as director. "I think the old pieces are better appreciated than new ones."

("For fear that Annie darling," continued the melodious First Tenor.)

"I don't remember that the members have been given an opportunity to make a comparison lately," said the First Bass.

("Oh, my poor Nellie Gray," sighed the Second Tenor.)

"They wouldn't know whether a song was new or not," said the First Tenor.

("They have taken you away," still murmured the Second Tenor.)

"I remember that we tried a new piece about fifteen years ago," said the Second Bass, "and there was no enthusiasm over it."

("Oh, don't you remember sweet Alice, Ben Bolt?" asked the First Bass, in plaintive accents.)

"I think there is nothing more popular than 'Larboard Watch,'" said the First Tenor.

("Down in a grave that was newly made," exclaimed the Second Bass, in accents still more horrible.)

"How would it do to sing 'Daisy Dean' a few times this year?" asked the Second Tenor.

("Old Dan Tucker went a-shootin'," trilled the First Tenor.)

"That would be a good one—so would 'My Old Kentucky Home,'" said the Second Bass.

("The first thing he saw was an old sow a-rootin'," pursued the First Tenor.)

"How would 'Trankadillo' do?" asked the First Bass.

"I had thought of that," said the Second Tenor, "and 'Tenting To-night'—that would catch the boys."

("Come where my love lies dreaming," seductively intoned the First Tenor.)

"Yes, that would make a hit sure," said the Second Bass.

("Maxwellton's braes are bonnie," crooned the First Bass.)

"How would 'Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys are Marching' go?" asked the First Tenor.

"The very thing," said the Second Bass. "That's out of sight."

"And it ought to be out of hearing too," said the tiler, coming to the door. "Here, you fellows—you're wanted. The key squeezer is at the wheeze box and looking anxiously for you."

"I don't think even Ed H. could fail to be pleased with a programme made up of the numbers that have just been suggested, and I've heard that he's real critical," said the Second Bass, as they wearily wended their way to the west gate.

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"I am certainly glad that the annual excuse-making season is over," said the Crusty-Testy Brother.

"I don't know that I quite follow you," replied the Happy-Sunny Brother.

"Why, the season when brothers are put to their wits' end apologizing for those who are too negligent to pay their dues," said the C. T. Brother.

"If a brother is unable to pay his dues, it is necessary for some one to give the lodge the information," said the H. S. Brother.

"There is no doubt of that," said the C. T. Brother; "but that is not the class I'm weeping over. I mean the fellows who are able and don't."

"There are probably fewer of that class in Masonry than any other walk of life," said the H. S. Brother.

"I'll agree to that, too," said the C. T. Brother; "but what we have of them ought to be weeded out. Whenever we are overhauling the delinquents, as soon as a name is read out up jumps a brother and says, 'I hope no action will be taken on that name; I am sure he will pay.' 'But,' says the secretary, 'I have sent him three notices and he has not made any answer.' 'Well, I feel sure he will pay if we give him time,' says the brother. 'Is the brother in straitened circumstances?" asks another brother; 'if so, I move that we remit his dues.' 'I am sure,' says the delinquent's champion, 'that Brother G—x would not like to have his dues remitted; he will pay in a month or two.' And so it goes."

"Well, what would you have done?" asked the H. S. Brother.

"I would have a square, up-and-up, above-board understanding," said the C. T. Brother. "If the brother was able to pay, or had been at any time during the past few months, when the secretary would have willingly received his dues, he should have paid. It was a just debt that he knew would soon mature. If he had not been able to pay at any recent time, he should have said so frankly. No Mason would think the less of a brother who happened to be in hard lines, if he admitted the fact. As it is his financial embarassment becomes known, along with the fact that in a shifty sort of a way he has tried to keep it a secret while receiving the immunity of poverty. In any event, any communication from the secretary should receive an answer if it is of a nature to require one."

"Possibly, as a prosperous, responsible citizen, you do not know how to appreciate the feelings of a temporarily embarrassed brother," said the H. S. Brother.

"I believe I do," said the C. T. Brother, "and if I were in that condition

my lodge would be the last to know of it unless the misfortune were so great that I needed its assistance, when I would ask it as freely and with the same feeling that I would ask that of my father or my flesh-and-blood brother. But it is not of the indigent that I complain. It is of the careless, the negligent—those who rely on some one speaking for them, if they think of the subject at all, when the reckoning comes."

"There are brethren in the world, plenty of them, who think no brother should ever be suspended for non-payment of dues—that Masonry should be above such sordid considerations," said the H. S. Brother. "They claim that it is against the Ancient Landmarks."

"Debt-paying has never been universally popular in any age," said the C. T. Brother, "but if a man pay his debts at all there is no good reason why he should not consider his lodge's claim as equal to any other, nor why he should leave it to the last."

MASONRY IN MINNESOTA.

(Sixth paper.)

The sixth annual was held in St. Paul, Jan. 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th, 1858, fourteen of the eighteen lodges being represented; numbers 2, 8, 15 and 16 unrepresented the first day, and all but No. 15 being represented the second day.

Grand Master Pierson reported that he had visited sixteen of the lodges, traveling over 1,300 miles to do so. He mentioned as worthy of note that the S. W. of Pleasant Grove Lodge, residing fourteen miles distant, had attended every stated and several special communications during the year. He says: "I have secured a uniformity of ceremony; but that of language can never be, as the work cannot be written; nor is it desirable that precisely the same words should be used under all circumstances—the lodge room would become monotonous. Uniformity, however, should be had in ceremonial and usage." Applications for dispensations were as numerous then, and for similar purposes, as now. Dispensations to confer degrees "upon candidates who desired to leave and had no time to make the required proficiency", were refused in every instance. As an instance of increasing interest in Masonry in Minnesota, Grand Master mentions that dispensations had been granted for R. A. Chapters at Hastings and St. Anthony. Grand Master was "of opinion that a body having a kind of general superintendance over the craft in the United States, would be eminently beneficial, particularly if no officers with high sounding titles were created, and if they had no revenue." "The erection of a Masonic Hall has not progressed as it was hoped and expected it would last year." Non-attendance, then as now, seemed to be without remedy. A resolution was adopted authorizing the Grand Master "to procure a suitable stone from some of our quarries, have it properly squared, numbered and marked with a suitable device, and forwarded to the managers of the Washington Monument Association, as a contribution from the M. W. Grand Lodge of Masons, of Minnesota."

Red Wing Lodge, No. 8, having lost its hall, furniture and property by fire, its grand lodge dues, amounting to $27.50, were remitted. A resolution to make the Grand Lodge movable was not adopted. A resolution changing the date of Grand Lodge annual to the fourth Tuesday in October, was adopted. The payroll of members amounted to $344.50. Mackey's form for installation of grand lodge officers was adopted. A. T. C. Pierson was re-elected Grand Master, and Geo. W. Prescott re-elected Grand Secretary. Again, only the elective officers were installed. The report of the committee on correspondence was printed as an appendix to the proceedings. Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, Caledonia, No. 20, Rochester, No. 21, and Pleasant Grove, No. 22, received charters.

SCOTTISH RITE.

Following are the dates for meetings of the Bodies in Saint Paul:

Sept. 24, 6°, 7°, 8°.
Oct. 2, 9°, 10°, 11°.
Oct. 17, 12°, 13°.
Oct. 30, 14°.
Nov. 13, 15°.
Nov. 20, 17°.
Nov. 18, 18°.

Minneapolis.

Sept. 27—Consistory.
Oct. 4—Balloting.
Oct. 8—Lodge Of Perfection Degrees.
Oct. 9—Rose Croix Degrees.
Oct. 10—Council Knights Kadosh Degrees.
Oct. 11—Consistory Degrees.
Petitions must be received on or before Sept. 26.

The Grand Chapter, R. A. M., will hold its annual convocation in St. Paul, Tuesday, Oct. 9.

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THE EASTERN STAR.

A largely attended school of instruction was held at Bemidji on the 14th. The Grand Matron was present.

The Thimble bee will be held at the residence of Marie Lidman, 4444 Upton Ave. South, Wednesday afternoon.

Crookston Chapter will hold semi-monthly meetings hereafter, because of increased interest. Anoka Stars have resumed work.

Mrs. A. L. Vrooman, 7 South 6th St. is receiving new goods in all departments. Observer readers will do well to call and examine them.

Zuhrah's Ladies held a thimble bee at their parlors in the temple last Friday. On Friday, Oct. 5, they will serve a six o'clock supper to which the gentlemen will be invited, and will have work in the evening.

Minneapolis Chapter, No. 9, O. E. S. will hold its stated meeting in the Chapter room, tonight, Monday. The Worthy Matron hopes to greet a large number of the members.

Lorraine social club will meet at the home of Sister Whitelaw, 3321, 9th. Ave. So., Tuesday, 25th. All members of Lorraine Chapter and their friends are cordially invited.

FROM ALASKA.

My dear brother Allen:

As you see I am in Alaska. Came from Seattle in a gasoline launch 47 feet long. Seven hundred and fifty miles in a small boat is an experience which few get and I consider myself lucky to have had the opportunity. The trip is the most delightful I can imagine.

This is certainly a primitive country, yet the towns are up-to-date, (water-works and electric lights). The people are very proud of their country and seem perfectly satisfied to stay here. Business is good and the towns seem certain of growth.

I am going into the mountains from here, will be gone about one week. The game is abundant and the man who hunts with the camera has a delightful opportunity. The photographer with our party has already a fine collection of views of the various points of interest along the way.

They do have fine weather in Alaska and I have enjoyed it, even the rain. The prices of merchandise are not high considering the distance from the markets and there seems to be no disposition to impose on the tourist.

Expect to visit Juneau before I return. Will be in good old Minneapolis about the 25th of this month.

With kindest regards,

Oscar K. Richardson.

[If O. K. is as long in making the mountain trip as he was on the boat trip he will not return before Thanksgiving, and thereby hangs a tale which the Observer received by Wireless. Soon after getting into Queen Charlotte Sound the machinery of the boat ceased to revolve and the boat was at the mercy of the drifting currents which were in the nature of whirlpools. O. K. was asleep at the time and Hutchins attempted to wake him by shaking but without effect for some time, O. K. exclaiming "keep off the rocks! Keep off the rocks"! After recovering from his nightmare, O. K. and "Hutch." made a searching examination of the machinery for breaks, but none could be found; after several hours of hard work, while the launch drifted helplessly, one of the party bethought him to look in the gasoline tank, which being found empty the mystery was explained, the tank filled and Queen Charlotte soon left behind.]

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Dr. Julius F. Sachse, well known as a writer on Masonic and historical subjects pertaining to Pennsylvania, has been appointed librarian of the G. L. of Pa.

In 1843 there were four Mormon lodges holding dispensations from the Grand Lodge of Illinois, neither of which ever received charters, they were: Nauvoo, Helm and Nye, at Nauvoo, and Eagle, at Keokuk.

Grand Chapter, R. A. M. Mississippi. Fifty-eighth annual, Brookhaven, Feb. 22, 1906. Chapters, 69; membership, 3,021; net gain, 169. The following resolution was adopted: It shall be an offense punishable with suspension, for any Royal Arch Mason to have in possession any exposé of Royal Arch Masonry, and with expulsion to make use of the same in the work of the Chapter.

An additional assessment of fifty cents per capita was made against the Chapters for the ensuing year. Minnesota was not reviewed in the report on correspondence. Grand High Priest William A. Bodenhamer; Grand Secretary, Frederic Speed.

Buffalo, Minn. lodge conferred the M. M. degree on five on the 10th.; a large number of visitors from neighboring lodges were present on invitation. Plans for extensive improvements to the temple at Rochester have been approved and bids for construction are asked for. The Masonic Building association of Madison, S. D., ask for sealed bids for the construction of a new temple; bids to be received until Oct. 1. Thursday, 27th., the Shriners of Iowa and neighboring states, in large numbers, will be in Des Moines to atend the ceremonies of dedicating a new temple and for a ceremonial session. The Imperial Potentate will be present. Masons of Brainerd, Minn., have called off their picnic and will give a large party instead. Lyman Tuttle, a member of the local lodge, was buried at Faribault, Sept. 16. Appleton, Minn., Masons expect to complete their new hall about Oct. 1. Mt. Tabor, No. 106, Detroit, Minn., recently conferred the M. M. degree on two and elected eight for the degrees. J. Frahm, a member of Rochester, Minn. lodge, and a member of the Minnesota legislature of 1871-1872, died recently in Chicago. A ceremonial session of El Katif Temple, Spokane, will be held on the evening of the 26th.; that day will be "Shriners day" at the Interstate Fair, and all Shriners and their families have been invited to attend. The Grand Lodge of Washington laid the corner stone of the Y. M. C. A. building at Spokane, Sept. 11. R. Dunkleman was recently buried at Austin, Minn. with Masonic honors, the services of both lodge and commandery being used.

MINNEAPOLIS DRILL CLUB.

This is the name of an independent organization formed by and from members of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine. Its object is to furnish drill squads for secret or other societies, for public gatherings or parades and the giving of entertainments. The membership is limited to seventy-five, a prerequisite being membership in Zuhrah Temple. One of the features is a band of fourteen pieces. The Governors are: Asa Paine, H. F. Fankhauser, L. M. Rheem, F. M. McCord, A. M. Shuey, G. W. Dulany, Jr., and A. E. Paegel. A. M. Shuey, the well known Drill Master, is the Captain of the Drill Squads.

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A CIVIL WAR INCIDENT

During the civil war it was the practice of some of the Northern Masonic jurisdictions to issue to Masons serving in the army, and to sons of Master Masons, a war certificate.

A young man serving in the 20th. Ill., Reg't., received one of these certificates. After the battle at Pittsburg he, being wounded, was placed in the cock-loft of a cabin, among the joists and rafters where he was not often visited by the surgeons, every day growing more feeble. One morning when the waiter brought his breakfast he handed his certificate to the waiter with the request that it be handed to the surgeon. The surgeon soon appeared and asking what was wanted, the boy told him that he wanted to get out of there. He was taken to a house, given a good room where he had every care and comfort. On another occasion he was traveling to Fort Henry and gave out by the way. The Major coming along, the boy asked him if he was a Mason, the reply being the affirmative the certificate was produced and the boy rode into camp on the Major's horse.

SOME MASONIC MUSINGS.

By Rabbi Edward N. Calisch,
Richmond, Va.

The man who has passed through the various degres of the Masonic brotherhood, up to and including the Royal Arch, will invariably feel a deep pride in the order, if he has grasped the significance of the various steps that he has ascended, and has learned how its doctrines have been exemplified in life. Masonry is a noble doctrine and a noble achievement. It must be regarded among the imperishable institutions of the human family. Born of the noblest sentiments of the human breast, nourished from its purest milk, resting on sublime ideals, it is pillared immovably on the sturdy pillars of moral strength and beauty.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Plymouth Lodge, No. 160, Entered one last Monday.

Frank Forbes is still confined to his home by serious sickness.

Sam Goulstone is back from a two week's visit among friends in South Dakota.

Hennepin No. 4, desires a large attendance of members at its stated, Wednesday night.

Geo. W. Sparks, St. Johns No. 28, Hannibal, Mo., was a visitor at No. 19, last Wednesday.

Albert E. Hoadley, of Minneapolis No. 19, is at home from a wedding journey in the East.

The Grand Council, R. & S. M., will hold its annual assembly in Minneapolis, Monday, Oct. 8.

C. L. Lien, North Lacrosse Lodge, No. 190, Wis., was a visitor at the Library last Wednesday.

The wife of Bro. Edward De Mott, of Ark, No. 176, died at Santa Ana, Cal., Aug. 29, and was buried there.

W. C. Allan who was a candidate for Park Commissioner, is not W. C. Allen, of the Masonic Observer.

Mrs. Pray, wife of the Worshipful Master of No. 19, is at St. Barnabas Hospital for a surgical operation.

Wm. W. Walker was forced to lay up a day or two last week because of a recurrence of former disabilities.

Read the calendar on last page for work. Telephone the Observer for information relating to Masonic work.

Keep in mind the Scottish Rite work beginning Oct. 8, and the Shrine ceremonial Oct. 12; send in petitions at once.

Members of Zuhrah Temple are reminded that there will be important business at the regular meeting, Friday night.

Darius, No. 7, conferred the order of the Temple on 5 last Wednesday; Paladin, No. 21, conferred the order of the Temple on one last Thursday.

Bart F. Holbrook, P. M. of No. 19, is confined to his home by sickness; C. J. Moir and H. N. Stevenson of the same lodge, who have been sick, are improving.

Illustrious Potentate Dodge, Past Potentates John A. Schlener and W. H. Elliot, and C. E. Ovenshire will attend the Shrine ceremonial at Des Moines, this week.

H. L. Cook, of No. 19, died at Anoka Sept. 19; Masonic services were held at Hume & Davies' undertaking rooms last Thursday. The body was taken to Forman, N. D. for burial.

At its last stated communication Khurum No. 112, received five petitions and elected three for degrees. The Entered Apprentice degree was conferred last Friday night.

The renovators have been at work in the hall on the sixth floor of the temple; the result being clean carpets and upholstery, a new carpet on the reception hall floor and fresh paint in the ante-rooms.

Erick J. A. Jensen, a member of Albert Pike Lodge, No. 237, and of Saint Johns Chapter, No. 9 R. A. M., died last Tuesday and was buried Saturday; he had been ill for a long time from tuberculosis.

Alex. M. Carroll, formerly of this city, died at Bozeman, Mont., Sept. 15; his body was brought to Hutchinson, Minn., and given a Masonic funeral; he was a member of Minnesota Lodge, No. 224.

James Pye, wife, and daughter Louise, and W. S. Pye and wife, the gentlemen being members of Minnesota Lodge, No. 224, Dr. Franklin R. Wright, of Hennepin No. 4, were registered in Paris, Sept. 17.

C. B. Vinal, of lodge, chapter and commandery at Vinal Haven, Me., was a caller at the Library last Friday. The above bodies are located in an island eight miles from the main land. Bro. Vinal is the father of the wife of Bro. E. W. Folsom of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree Wednesday night; there will be a large class. Members will please the officers by attending. This lodge elected one to membership and two for degrees at last stated.

A light luncheon will be served.

Saint Johns Chapter, No. 9, R. A. M., will hold a special convocation Thursday night, 27th, for work on the Mark Master degree. This will be the opening of Fall work and it is hoped there will be a large attendance.

At the stated convocation last Tuesday there was a fair atendance; three petitions for degrees were received, one for restoration and one for demit.

Brother C. W. Herrmann, who went to San Diego, Cal., several months since for benefit of Mrs. Herrmann's health, has returned to the city. Mrs. Herrmann died at San Diego, Sept. 5 and was brought to this city and buried at Lakewood, Sept. 13. Besides the husband there remain four children; two sons, A. D., Rolette, N. D., and F. L., 4244 Park Boulevard, Minneapolis, both members of Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, and two daughters, Mrs. W. W. Bartlett, 1716 E. Lake St., and Mrs. Rosina J. Ross; the latter Past W. M. of Minneapolis Chapter, No. 9, O. E. S.

Minneapolis Council, No. 2, R. & S. M., has had a fairly prosperous year; fifteen have been greeted, four joined and two restored; four have withdrawn, six died and one stricken from the roll, leaving a gain of ten, with a membership of 336. This Council has 700 shares of Masonic Temple stock and a cash balance of $618.48. Election and installation of officers took place last Friday night; the result will appear next week.

The dead for the year are: J. R. Gifford, E. T. LeClair, O. C. Post, Geo. S. Greenleaf, F. H. Barnard and J. C. Townsend.

SHRINERS' ANNUAL.

Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., will give its annual entertainment to members and their families, Friday, October 12.

The affair is being perfected by the several committees and the program will be announced in a few days. The Observer is able to outline the attractions in a general way. A Trolley ride will be given the ladies of visiting Nobles in the afternoon; a theatre party for all Nobles and their families in the evening; during the evening there will be a ceremonial session at the Temple; after the theatre the party will be conducted to the temple where a fine orchestra will furinsh the music for a dancing program, which will be interpersed with other attractions, and a buffet lunch served in the parlors.

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STATED.
Minnehaha 165, 1535 E. Lake.
Columbian Chap. 60, 304 20th av. N.
Damascus Commandery No. 1 (St. Paul.)
Mpls. Mounted Com. No. 23, Nic. and 31st.
Harmony Chapter No. 8, O. E. S. (Mpls)
Carmel Chap. 127, O. E. S. (St. Paul.)

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Hennepin Lodge, No. 4. (Minnenpolis)
Minnesota Consistory, No. 1, St. Paul.
SPECIAL.
Minneapolis 19, Mpls.
Work in E. A. degree.

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Ancient Landmark 5, (St. P.) 24 W. 6th.
Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, Mas. Tem.
SPECIAL.
St. John's Chapter No. 9 (Mpls.).
Work in M. M. degree.

FRIDAY EVENING.
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HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"Hello, brother," said the Cheery Old Veteran to an emaciated-looking brother who had just come in. "What has been the trouble? You look as though you might have been having a run-in with pneumonia or something?"

"Not pneumonia, but a little six-weeks' session with typhoid fever," said the Convalescent Brother. "I suppose you had not heard of my illness."

"No; this is the first news that I have had of it. But I congratulate you on being safely on the way to complete recovery," said the Veteran.

"Thank you," said the Convalescent. "But you are not alone in your ignorance of my sickness, for not a soul from the lodge came near me during the entire time. I suppose if I had died the news of the fact might have become known to the lodge in the course of time—say about dues-paying time."

"Brother, I am shocked that you were so terribly neglected," said the Veteran, "though it is unfortunately true that we neither extend all the comfort to the sick nor all the respect to the dead which we should."

"I felt the neglect very keenly," said the Convalescent.

"You naturally would," said the Veteran. "I do not wonder that you feel discouraged and disappointed. I shall call the attention of the lodge to the matter."

"I met the Master on the street today," the Convalescent said, "and gave him my ideas on the subject."

"What apology did he have to offer?" asked the Veteran. "The old and always plausible one, 'Too busy,' I suppose?"

"No," replied the Convalescent; "he said he had not heard of my illness."

"Hasn't heard of your illness?" exclaimed the Veteran. "What kind of a messenger did you employ?"

"I didn't employ any messenger," said the Convalescent.

"What means did you use to inform him, or try to inform him, of your illness?" asked the Veteran.

"I didn't send him word at all," answered the Convalescent. "I supposed it was his business to find out who were sick and give the lodge notice."

"But find out how?" asked the Veteran. "How do you suppose he could find out if word is not sent to him?"

"Oh, I don't know all the ins and outs of it,' replied the Convalescent. "I always supposed he had ways of knowing who were sick."

"Well, how?"

"I don't know how. If a brother was absent for several meetings, or —"

"That's so," said the Veteran. "I never thought of that. If a brother should be absent for two meetings, say, the Master could take it for granted that he was sick and ask the brethren to call on him, at the same time sending the sick committee around, if there be one. That might work a reformation in more ways than one. I think I'll suggest that to the Master. I am very glad that you are able to be with us again, brother."

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"I think every time I come to my lodge," said the Natural Knocker, "that that will be the last time I will go."

"Brother, what has happened to ruffle you?" asked the Genial Old Veteran.

"Oh, everything," growled the Knocker.

"That is a tough state of affairs," said the Veteran. "What riled you most, then?"

"Well, to begin with, when the secretary read the minutes I couldn't hear half of what he said."

"Did you ask him to read louder?"

"No, of course not," said the Knocker; "he ought to know enough to do that without being told."

"In some lodges they read the minutes of the evening before closing," said the Veteran. "How would you like that?"

"I wish they would do that, and then I wouldn't be straining my ears to hear, for I never stay till they close," said the Knocker.

"Well, what else did they do that offended you?"

"One thing was an appropriation of $25 for the widow of a man I knew as well as I know you, and—"

"That wasn't the reason for the appropriation, was it?"

"Now, don't get funny!' fumed the Knocker. "That man had every chance a man could have to provide well for his family's welfare after his death, and he didn't do it."

"That wasn't the fault of his distressed widow, was it?" asked the Veteran.

"I believe that it is every man's duty to leave his family in such circumstances that they will not be a burden on the lodge."

"But the best men are unfortunate sometimes," suggested the Veteran, "and misfortune is liable to overtake any of us."

"Oh, yes," snarled the Knocker. "That was said in the lodge till I am sick of hearing it."

"Were there any other outrages committed?" asked the Veteran.

"You are sarcastic," complained the Knocker. "However, I'm not looking for sympathy. When I see anything going wrong I'm going to say so."

"Evidently," said the Veteran; "but there must have been something else of which you disapproved."

"They talked for half an hour about investing some of the surplus in the new Masonic Temple stock."

"Well, you were in favor of that, I hope?"

"I was until I saw who were favoring it," said the Knocker. "That was enough to set me against the whole proposition."

"By the way," said the Veteran, "did you ever think what a dull thing

King Solomon's Temple must have been during lodge meetings?"

"No. Why?"

"Beeause the sound of a hammer was not heard about the whole plaee."

SOME MASONIC MUSINGS.

By Rabbi Edward N. Calisch, Richmond, Va.

(Continued from last week.)

It is religion in that it puts its firmest trust in Him who doth all things. It begins no undertaking, starts out upon no journey without first kneeling at the altar and looking up unto the One who is able to sustain us in all our trials and difficulties. It is a religion, like unto the Jewish mother from which it sprung, that is narrowed by no creedal demands, hampered by no catechism, hindered by no limitations of grace. Its cloak is ample as the heavens and it enfolds all who look up unto the Supreme Power above. Its first and only question is, in whom do we put our faith, and it recognizes as answer that God, who, as the prophet Malachi taught, "is the Father of all human children and the Creator of all the human family."

The contemplation of the grandeur and usefulness of the order fills every understanding Mason with the liveliest feelings of pride and loyal satisfaction. When one thinks what it has done in the past, what it stands for in the present and what its hope is for the future, we feel assured that it is destined to live as long as the virtues of temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice survive in the human breast.

Yet Masonry does not lie in sentiment alone. It has a practieal and tangible value. The noble edifice in Richmond is one of the fruits of Masonry, and in all the cities and villages of the union among the finest, most imposing and beautiful structures is to be found the home of the local craft. Yet even better than this, more noble and beautiful fruit of its planting, are the homes and the hospitals and the refuges where, under the sheltering wings of Masonic charity, the widow has found a friend, the fatherless a parent, and the sick and the poor relief and help.

Another valne of the order, and perhaps among its best, is the beauty and moral worth of the instruction which every Mason receives, not only when he enters the order, but as long as he attends its meetings. From the moment when the trembling candidate knocks for admission at the portal of the lodge, until that moment when, in spite of the many protestations of his friends, he has safely passed the terrors of the royal arch, every step he takes is accompanied by valuable, useful and enlightening instruction, whose lessons are exemplified and emphasized by the activities of the various degrees. Those of the blue lodge are made manifest in the several lectures and the candidate can realize at the end, that man, like truth, "tho crushed to earth, may rise again."

The beauty of the instruction inereases with the knowledge the candidate acquires and when he begins to work in the quarry of the chapter degrees he will hew out for himself many a valuable bit of experienee.

He will learn that life itself is one huge quarry wherein we all are workers; and if our work be earnest and noble and true, even tho that which we may have wrought be rejected in the judgment of man, that e'en tho our lives be misunderstood, our actions misconstrued, our motives impugned, yet as the stone which the builders rejected became the head of the eorner, so that which man in his human blindness may seorn, will be accepted by the Supreme Overseer above and set as chief in the diadem of reward that shalt be to every virtuous life.

He wil learn too that all men are gifted alike in this world, that even as those who came at the eleventh hour reeeived the same wages as those who bore the heat and brunt of the day, so some men may sweat and toll and yet remain in the duress of hardship, while others may gain affluence with comparative ease; yet here too, the Master of the vineyard has set for us all our appointed tasks. We have life and opportunity, head, heart and hands for toil, and we must do our labor as best we know how.

God deals not with our neighbor for us, but with ourselves for ourselves. We must see that our duty is done, our task fulfilled, our penny earned. Our fellow-workman must not account to us nor we to him, but all unto the Master.

He wil learn that the flame of hope is kindled in the human breast know that they are ever near him. Even though he descend into the darkness of the vault, his eable-tow is long enough to command a brother's help. Aye, he will learn, as he descends into the darkness and brings therefrom tho treasures of the law and the ark, that this is a token of love. Tho we may deseend into the deep dark dungeon of grief, into the pitchy depths of despair, yet at the deepest bottom will the true mason find the treasures of eternal hope within the casket of his faith. As a pearl from the depths of the oeean, so will he bring up the pearl of confidence and trust to the sunny surface of life's joy and happiness.

These are the lessons of comfort, of strength, of hope and moral guidanee that the Masonic Order gives unto each of its members. It is upon these noble principles that it is built, so strongly and so surely that the tide of time and change may roll at its base, the heavy waves of calumny beat about its walls, the gusts and storms of malice may assault its lofty battlements, the fierce rains of persecutions may deseend upon its spacious roofs, but all in vain. Thus sustained the pillars of the universe shall be shaken and all things have pased away as the baseless fabric of a vision. Then and then only will it cease to revel in charity and riot in nobleness of soul.—Virginia Masonic Journal

THE EASTERN STAR.

Heron Lake Stars resumed work Sept. 19.

The Chapter at Scanlon resumed meetings Sept. 25.

Radiant Chapter, Janesville, resumed meetings Sept. 19.

A school of instruction will be held at Thief River Falls, Oct. 11.

Shakopee Stars will resume their regular semi-monthly meetings Oct. 4.

Elbow Lake Stars gave a farewell party for Mrs. O. C. Jacobson, Sept. 18.

Grand Worthy Matron Yould attended the meeting of Naomi Chapter, Sauk Center, Sept. 18.

The Stars of Madison, S. D., will be entertained by the Shubert Symphony Club of Chicago, Oct. 3.

Grand Worthy Matron Yould was a visitor at Wadena recently and witnessed work of the Chapter there.

Mrs. C. D. Weightman being about to leave Moorhead, Minn., the Stars gave her a card party and an emblem.

Grand Matron Yould was a visitor at St. Cloud Sept. 21; there was a business and social session of the Chapter.

Laurel Crown Chapter, Ortonville,

are mourning the death of one of their number, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood, who died Sept. 10.

Mrs. Anna S. Morrison, Worthy Matron of Palestine Chapter, No. 112, O. E. S., entertained her officers and Mrs. A. F. Wolfarth of New York City, and Mrs. Fred. Patrick of Duluth, at the Orpheum Theater last Thursday afternoon.

Palestine Chapter, No. 112, O. E. S., will hold a special meeting tonight, Monday for work; the degrees will be conferred by the Past Worthy Matrons. A full attendance of members is desired and a general invitation is given to all members of the order.

The seventeenth annual session of the Grand Chapter of Montana was held at Helena, Sept 20. The officers elected were: Grand matron, Mrs. C. S. Pomeroy, of Kalispell; associate grand matron, Mrs. H. S. Hepner, of Helena; grand patron, S. L. Ward, of Butte.

Lorraine Chapter, No. 16, O. E. S., will hold its stated meeting in the Masonic Library, tonight, Monday, as the Blue Lodge room will not be completed before the 15th. Worthy Matron Latz will be pleased to see all the members out tonight.—M. E. Tuttle, Cor.

Members of the Eastern Star are requested to meet at their hall in this village Tuesday evening, promptly at 7:30 o'clock, for regular business meeting. No supper will be served. It would be interesting to know how many accepted this invitation at Alexandria, Minn., issued Sept. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Coot, 447 Fillmore St. N. E., will entertain the members of Minneapolis Chapter, No. 9, O. E. S., Monday evening, Oct. 1st.

This will be in the nature of a farewell as they expect to leave in the near future for Seattle, where they make their permanent home. Voegeli's corner at 745 sharp wil be the meeting place and all members will be expected.

The thimble bee at the home of sister Marie Lidman was well attended. Sister Mathilda Dillion will be the next hostess.—Cor.

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The Grand Chapter, R. A. M., will hold its annual convocation in St. Paul, Tuesday, Oct. 9.

Boston was selected as the meeting place next year of the annual convention of the supreme council of the Scottish Rite Masons of the Northern jurisdiction.

Writing to the Virginia Masonic Journal, J. S. Moore, president of the Virginia Masonic Home, says: "Within the last twelve months the writer visited the Holy Land, Egypt, and other countries. At Cairo he was invited to a Lodge of Masons, at which the Worshipful Master was a Christian; the Senior Warden a Mohammedan; the Junior Warden a Jew; the Treasurer a Persian. There were present Christians, Jews, Mohammedans, Turks, Nubians, Abysinians, French, English, Americans, all different in religious faiths, creeds and nationalities, but all bound together in the common and mystic ties of Freemasonry."

The members of the Masonic lodge are planning an entertainment at Park Rapids, Minn., for the next two regular communications that will have a tendency to increase interest in the work and bring out a good attendance.

Lyman Tuttle, a pioneer of Faribault, Minn., and member of Faribault Lodge No. 9, died Sept. 14, and was buried by his Lodge, the Templars furnishing an escort. Mankato Lodge, No. 12, conferred the M. M. degree, Sept. 25. The Lodge at Wahpeton, N. D., has a new set of robes; it was planned to introduce them to visitors from N. D. and Minn. lodges, Sept. 14, but rain interfered with the attendance. Adolph Dinkelspiel, a well known business man and Master of Westgate lodge, No. 128, died at Seattle, Sept. 20. Eau Claire, Wis., held a largely attended meeting, Sept. 17, at which Grand Master Farr and one hundred guests were present. Davenport, Ia., Shriners initiated a class of 14 at Oskaloosa, Oct. 20.

CRYPTIC RITE.

Geo. E. Warner, Recorder of Minneapolis Council, No. 2, R. & S. M., has issued a neat announcement of the thirty-seventh annual assembly of the Grand Council of Minnesota, which is to be held in the Council Chamber, Masonic Temple, Minneapolis, Monday, October 8, at 2 o'clock p. m.

The officers are: Charles S. Schurman, St. Paul, Grand Master; William C. Allen, Minneapolis, Deputy Grand Master; Charles B. Johnson, Red Wing, principal conductor of the work; Giles W. Merrill, St. Paul, grand treasurer; Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul, grand recorder; Albert Bush, Minneapolis, grand captain of the guard; John T. Johnson, Fergus Falls, grand conductor of Council; John T. Frater, Brainerd, grand chaplain; Frank J. Meyst, Minneapolis, grand marshal; John P. Johnson, Duluth, grand steward; Charles J. Kruger, St. Paul, grand sentinel.

The degrees of Royal Master and Select Master will be conferred in the evening by Sauk Centre Council, U. D., and the degree of Super Excellent Master by St. Paul Council, No. 1. There will be a large number of candidates from Minneapolis Council, No. 2, and Adoniram Council No. 5, of Minneapolis, both Councils uniting in the entertainment of guests.

All members of the rite are invited to be present in the evening. Refreshments will be served at 10 p. m.

MONTANA.

The grand lodge of Montana in session at Helena, Sept. 19, decided to meet next year in Butte. The following officers were elected: D. A. McDonald of Kalispell, grand master; S. C. Kenyon of Bozeman, deputy grand master; C. B. Nolan of Helena, senior grand warden; John L. Carroll of Butte, junior grand warden; H. M. Parchen of Helena, grand treasurer; Cornelius Hedges of Helena, grand secretary. The question of locating the Masonic home was considered during the day and the site offered in the valley north of Helena was definitely decided upon. The home is to cost 30,000.

The grand chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Montana held its sixteenth annual convocation Sept. 18, at Helena. There was a good attendance, and the reports of the officers showed the chapter was in good condition. The officers elected follow:

M. E. Excellent High Priest, J. B. Legatt, of Butte; R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest, Alex Fraser, of Billings; R. E. Grand King, Frank B. Lewis, of Bozeman; R. E. Grand Scribe, E. C. Day, of Helena; R. E. Grand Treasurer, H. M. Parchen, Helena; R. E. Grand Secretary Cornelius Hedges, Helena; R. E. Grand Captain of the Host, Dr. M. A. Walker, of Dillon; R. E. Grand Principal Sojourner, H. G. Rainsford, Deer Lodge; R. E. Grand Royal Arch Captain, D. J. Davis, Missoula.

The nineteenth annual conclave of the Grand commandery, Knights Templar of Montana, was held in Helena Monday, September 17.

Officers were elected as follows: Grand commander, R. E. Sir J. Benton Leggatt of Butte; deputy grand commander, V. E. Sir Alexander D. Macdonald, Kalispell; grand generalissmo, E. Sir Daniel A. McCaw, Livingston; grand captain general, E. Sir Preston B. Moss, Billings; grand senior warden, E. Sir T. B. Miller, Helena; grand prelate, E. Sir Rev. Frank B. Lewis, Bozeman; grand treasurer, Henry M. Parchen, Helena, grand recorder, R. E. Sir Cornelius Hedges, Helena. Grand Commander Leggatt made the following appointments: Standard bearer, Geo. F. Slack, Miles City; warder, Ben Calkins, Butte; sword bearer, Charles Bye, Great Falls.

ON MOUNTAIN TOP.

A special communication of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M., jurisdiction of Quebec, was held in the natural Lodge room on Owl's Head Mountain recently. These meetings have become an annual event of great interest to the craft and each year brings a few from distant lands to witness for the first time this unique event. The "lodge room" is a natural depression in the rock about twenty feet wide and forty feet long with high rocky walls on two sides and one end. It is approached by a narrow rock-strewn passage and sentries are posted on the surrounding heights, while the work of the Lodge is carried on with the same degree of solemnity as at its regular place of meeting.

Although the day was rather cool and windy a large number of Masons and their friends took advantage of the excursion through the lake, but a much smaller number left the steam-

er at Owl's Head wharf for the purpose of making the ascent.

Among the number were: W. Bro. P. P. Parker Arizona Lodge No. 2, Phoenix, Arizona; W. Bro. Rev. Lewis Cameron, Century Lodge No. 100, South Orange, N. J., Bro. F. A. Witt, Meridian Sun Lodge No. 20, Craftsbury, Vt., Bro. W. A. Forbes, Cambridge, Mass., Bro. C. C. Adams, Memphremagog Lodge, Newport, Vt., Bro. Perkins, Masonville, W. Br. Geo. A. Paige, Bro. H. W. Andrews, Bro. W. G. Gross, Bro. Chas. E. Baldwin, Ashlar Lodge, Coaticook, Bro. R. L. Ayer, Bro. T. H. Lee, Bro. E. F. Hovey, Mount Orford Lodge Georgeville.

Golden Rule Lodge No. 5, was officered as follows: W. Bro. F. W. Hearle, W. M., Bro. B. H. Rider, S. W.; W. Bro. Geo. W. Paige of Coaticook acting as J. W.; Bro. R. E. Nurse S. D., Rev. Bro. Geo. S. Clendinnen, Chaplain, Bro. D. R. Parsons, J. D., Bro. E. C. Irvine, Bro. H. T. Ball, Stewards; Bro. J. C. Holland I. G.; Bro. A. R. Thomas Tyler. The other members of Golden Rule Lodge present were: Bros. C. E. Lee, Charles Clarke and William Heath.

W. Bro. P. P. Parker, who was 70 years of age last Christmas, was the senior craftsman in the party, his closest rival in this respect being Bro. R. L. Ayer, but Bros. Parker and Ayer were not the last to reach the summit.

The lodge was opened immediately after the arrival of the party at the top and here amid all the grandeur of the natural surroundings Bro. C. C. Gardner received the degree of Master Mason. Afterwards short addresses were made by W. Bro. P. P. Parker and W. Bro. Lewis Cameron.

Following the Masonic meeting the marriage of Bro. C. Eugene Lee and Mrs. Verdir Violet Ellis of Fitch Bay was solemnized in the mountain lodge room, Rev. Bro. Geo. S. Clendinnen performing the ceremony, which was witnessed by the brethren of the lodge, two ladies who climbed the mountain for that purpose and one or two other friends who were privileged to extend congratulations and best wishes to the newly married couple on the mountain top. The Masons were quietly informed of the contemplated marriage after the steamer left Newport, and while the announcement was something of a surprise, they readily gave their sanction to an event hardly less unique than the holding of a Masonic meeting on a mountain top.

[Owl's Head mountain is situated on Lake Memphremagog. This is probably the only Masonic Lodge which is permitted under its charter to hold meetings in two places.—Ed.]

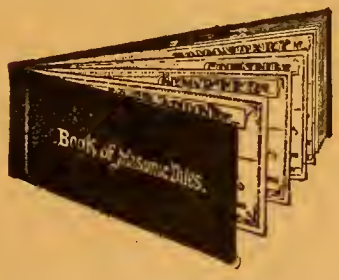
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Plymouth Lodge, No. 160, will confer the Follow Craft degree tonight, Monday.

The Scottish rite bodies have resumed regular meetings; see calendar on last page.

The Observer is indebted to Sam. B. Hall of No. 19, who is 'on the road', for courtesies.

Braden Lodge, No. 168, St. Paul, conferred the Fellow Craft degree at a special last Thursday night.

Dr. O. K. Richardson has returned from his Alaskan trip much delighted with the country and greatly improved in health.

Henry Hahn, E. C. of Zion Commandery, No. 2, who has been at Mt Clemens, Mich., seeking relief from rheumatism, is home.

Zuhrah's Ladies will serve six o'clock dinner, to which the gentlemen will be invited, Friday night. Cards in the evening.

Mrs. A. L. Vrooman, 7 South 6th St. is receiving new goods in all departments. Observer readers will do well to call and examine them.

Geo. A. McLean, 3133 Hennepin Ave., a member of Hennepin Lodge, No. 4, was seriously injured in a railway wreck last week, both legs being broken.

Hennepin No. 4, held its stated meeting in the Library last week; one petition was received. It is probable that there will be more next week. Watch the Observer.

Khurum Lodge No. 112, conferred the F. C. degree last Wednesday night, the E. A. degree Friday night and the M. M. degre Saturday afternoon and expects to confer the E. A. degree Friday night.

James W. Bradshaw, 33°, of Rockford, Ill., died at Asbury Hospital, Sept. 22. His body was taken to Rockford for burial. He was a member of the Valley of Quincy, Ill., a member of the G. A. R., and I. O. O. F., the latter taking charge at request of the Quincy Lodge.

Minnehaha Lodge, No. 165, will work in the F. C. degree on Tuesday evening, Oct. 2. Now that the summer season is over the Worshipful Master hopes to see the full corps of officers present and as many of the brethren as can come. This is the beginning of the winter's work.

Zion Commandery, No. 2, K. T., will hold a special conclave, Thursday, Oct. 4. The Order of the Red Cross will be conferred in the afternoon, beginning at 3 o'clock; in the evening the Order of the Temple will be conferred. This will be the opening of the season's work and will be in the nature of a testimonial to excellent Prelate, Rev. Sir Knight Charles F. Sharpe, who is about to leave the city. Your presence will gratify your officers. Visiting Fraters welcome.

Minneapolis Council, No. 2, R. & S. M., held its annual assembly, Sept. 21. The folowing officers were elected, appointed and installed for the ensuing year: Levi A. Countryman, T. I. M.; James G. Houghton, I. D. M.; Frank H. McCuskey, P. C. W.; Wm. M. Walker, Treasurer; Geo. E. Warner, Recorder; Alex. E. Clarendon, Captain of the Guard; Roy R. Langrell, Conductor of the Council; Wm. E. Rentfrow, Steward; Wm. Tweedie, Marshal; C. C. Curtiss, Chaplain; Edwin J. Hodges, Sentinel.

By unanimous vote the **Masonic Observer** was made the official organ of the Council and will hereafter be mailed to every member.

Minneapolis No. 19's special last Wednesday night was well attended. J. W. Chesher was in the East, W. M. Pray in the West and Dayton Adams in the South, H. Bester, S. D., D. B. Thomas, J. D., A. E. Clarendon, S. S., H. M. Edgerton, J. S., Prof. Gilbert at the pipe organ. Two candidates received the E. A. degree. Brothers Edgerton and Carrott passed the first lecture, Bro. Clarendon, the second, and Dayton Adams, assisted by secretary Young with the lantern, the third. The work and lectures were well rendered. Several visitors were present, those registered being: Geo. W. Gunn., Rochester, No. 5, Mich., E. Rote, Winona, No. 8, C. M. Crane and L. E. Sigmond, Herman, No. 41, Minn., A. K. Kerchner, Helena, No. 3, Mont., and Thos R. Matthews, Star and Thistle, No. 509, Val Paraiso, Chili, English Register. There were visitors from several of the city lodges, none of whom were registered. A luncheon was served by Bro. Maas after the work. Work was set for Oct. 10, of which notice will be given next week.

ORDER OF AMARANTH.

St. Paul Court, No. 2, O. of A., will meet Tuesday, Oct. 9, at Summit Lodge room, corner McKubin and Laurel Ave. All charter members not present at the September meeting are requested to attend this. Officers not installed at the former, will be installed at this meeting. Applications for the November class should be presented at the meeting.—Cor.

SCOTTISH RITE.

Following are the dates for meetings of the Bodies in Saint Paul:

Oct. 2, 9°, 10°, 11°.
Oct. 17, 12°, 13°.
Oct. 30, 14°.
Nov. 13, 15°.
Nov. 20, 17°.
Nov. 18, 18°.

Minneapolis.

Oct. 4—Balloting.
Oct. 8—Lodge Of Perfection Degrees.
Oct. 9—Rose Croix Degrees.
Oct. 10—Council Knights Kadosh Degrees.
Oct. 11—Consistory Degrees.

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SHRINERS' ANNUAL.

Zuhruh Temple will open the Shrine season with a special session for halloting, Thursday night, Oct. 11, which will be followed hy a ceremonial session Friday night, Oct. 12. This promises to be one of the most elaborate sessions ever held in the northwest.

The special features will consist of a Trolley Tour for out-of-town guests, leaving the West Hotel corner at 2:00 p. m. on the 12th; a theatre party in the evening for all members having the **red card,** and their families, and a cotillion party at the Temple after the theatre. Requisitions for theatre tickets should be made to W. C. Allen, 215 Masonic Temple. Bring your card. An elegant twelve page program has been issued; every member will want one as a souvenir.



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TUESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
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Capital City No. 217, St. Paul.
Minnesota No. 224, Mpls.
Minnesota Chap. 1 (St. Paul.)
Arcana Chapter 38, O. E. S., Mpls.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Albert Pike 237 (Hopkins).
Constellation Chapter No. 18 (St. Paul).
Montgomery 258 (St. Paul.)

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
Excelsior Lodge of Perfection No.2, Mas. Tem
SPECIAL.
Zion Commandery No. 2, Mas. Tem., 6 floor.
Work in Red Cross degree.
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FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
St. Paul No. 3, (St. P.) Mas. Hall.
Minnehaha Chap. O. E. S. No. 37, Lake and Bloomington.
Zuhrah's Ladies. Mas. Tem., 2:30 p. m.
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HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"Yes," said the Grizzled and Gray Sir Knight, "I once had an ambition to be a member of the hoss commandery, but——"

"But not being a butcher or a baker, you didn't own a horse," suggested a Skittish Young Templar.

"Now, I wouldn't say anything as mean as that," resumed the old one. "No, the usual combination of friends and associations steered me into the ranks of the walk soldiers, and on at least one occasion I have been glad that it is as it is."

What was that?" asked the youngster. "Did you charter a horse to see if you could ride one?"

"Nope; I rode horses all through my young days and had no fears on that score, though I might have needed a little practice and a little seasoning of the parts that usually get sore for new riders.

"The occasion I refer to was the laying of the corner-stone of the Blank Home, somewhere the other side of—, which I attended as a member of the Grand Lodge. On account of the great distance, we went in carriages, of course, and our escort was—Commandery. All went smooth until after the ceremony was over, when Grand Master— —said to Colonel—, the Assistant Grand Marshal, who was mounted: 'Marshal, set a pretty good pace on the return trip. I have a business engagement down in the city for which I am already late.'

"'Ay, ay, sir!' said the A. G. M., putting on that Schley-at-Santiago look which he wore while impersonating the great hero at the Louisville Triennial Conclave.

"The procession began to move. The streets of—,and especially the roads beyond, are not all asphalted, and even in carriages we felt like the artillerymen look on the caissons while going into action on the double-quick that you sometimes see in great paintings. Sir Knight — was on his celebrated White-eyed Terror, and the A. G. M., could not set a pace that was too hot for him. We had almost reached the bridge, when W. E. who was on the staff of the Eminent Commander, succeeded in catching up with the A. G. M.

"'In the name of the Prophet, Marshall'—W. E. was then in training for the Potentateship of—Temple—'in the name of the Prophet!' he begged, 'let



CHARLES S. SCHURMAN

Grand Master, Grand Council, R. & S. M., Minnesota.

up on this pace! You have ridden—Commanderey to a finish. They are scattered all over—and you couldn't throw a basehall from one to another of them. Calm yourself until we have time to collect our command.'

"'There is glory enough for all,' said the A. G. M., as he reined in his foaming steed, and the remainder of the return was made at a speed with which even a mounted commandery could keep up.

"As I saw the sir knights rubbing their tender places after dismounting at the Temple I was glad that I had been sidetracked into a company of infantry."

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"Hello, brother," said the Cheery Old Mason, on meeting a friend on Seventh Street. "I hope you've had a Merry Christmas, and I wish you a Happy New Year."

"Same to you," said the brother with a Masonic charm as big as a horseshoe. "You call me brother. Are you a Mason, too? I've known you a long time, but I didn't know that about you."

"Yes, I'm known to be a Mason in certain quarters."

"Certain quarters? What quarters?"

"Oh, the lodge rooms, chapter chambers, &c. By the way, what lodge do you belong to?" asked His Cheeriness.

"Such-and-such-a-Lodge," said He of the Charm. "I belong to the commandery and Shrine, too. Do you?"

"Oh, yes. I see your lodge had a funeral the other day. Did you have a good crowd out?"

"I don't know—hadn't heard of it. How'd you hear of it?"

"Saw it in The Masonic Observer. Doesn't your lodge send out notices of funerals?"

"I guess so, but I get so many Masonic communications that I never look at 'em. What do you mean by The Masonic Observer?"

"Oh, it's just a Masonic paper that I suppose you never heard of. What chapter do you belong to?"

"Saint——, well, it's Saint Something. I'm not sure. I haven't been there since I got through. What's the name of that chapter with a Saint to it?"

"Oh, there are two or three chapters with Saint attachments. What difference does it make? Is your lodge doing much work nowadays?"

"I don't know. I don't get there very often. I forget what night it

meets. How long have you been a Mason?"

"Twenty-two years. How long have you?"

"I forget now. Must be three or four years. What commandery do you belong to?"

"The same one that you do. I saw you knighted. You keep your uniform at home, don't you?"

"Never had one. I was going to get one, but somehow I never did. Whose funeral did you say my lodge attended?"

"I don't think I mentioned the name. You say you didn't go?"

"No, I don't enjoy going to funerals."

"That's strange! To most people they are a source of unfailing delight! Did you ever see a Masonic funeral?"

"I don't believe I ever did—at least I never attended one; and I never expect to until I go to my own. Do you like to go to them?"

"I confess I don't, but I generally do so, especially those of my own lodge or commandery."

"Do the Knight Templars go to funerals, too? I didn't know that."

"No? I sometimes think the fact is not generally known."

"Why don't you wear a charm? People won't know you're a Mason."

"Some of 'em won't—that's a fact. I never thought of that."

"Good-by, brother. I'm glad to find out you're a Mason."

"Good-by. I'm glad to have you know it."

THE EASTERN STAR.

One of the most successful meetings ever held by the Crookston Chapter O. E. S., was enjoyed by the members on the eve of Sept. 11 when they had the pleasure of entertaining G. W. M., Mrs. Evelyn Yould. About one hundred members were present, and six new members were installed. Before the regular work Sister Yould was escorted to the East and given the grand honors; Sister Love Braley, Grand Cond., a member of Crookston Chapter, was escorted to the East, the Chapter giving her hearty applause. Sister Yould gave a short talk, and after the work she was presented with a Souvenir Spoon in honor of her visit. An elaborate lunch was served, after which the members enjoyed a social hour.—Mayme Sheffield, Secy.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 was represented by a large number of its members who gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Coot last Monday evening. The hours from 8 to 11 were pleasantly spent with a varied program during which Worthy Matron, Abbie Eells Reed, presented to sister Coot a commodious traveling bag, also a leather hand purse, in her remarks of presentation she spoke many words of praise and encouragement and assured Sister Coot she would carry with her to her new home the love and best wishes of No. 9. Mr. Coot was made the happy recipient of a large cluster of carnations, a personal gift from old time friends. Delicious refreshments were served and the friends dispersed amid showers of good wishes for the future welfare and prosperity of a couple who so richly deserve them.

Sister Mathilda Dillion, 315 West 15 St., will entertain the thimble bee for No. 9 next Wed. afternoon.—Mrs. McGuire, cor.

The Stars at Winnebago City, Minn., served luncheon Sept. 24, in honor of Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Jamieson, who are to leave the city; a cut glass vase was presented. Miriam Chapter, Hutchinson, Minn., recently attended a lecture by U. S. Senator La Follette, in a body. The senator has a silver tongue and persuasive manners. Grand Matron Yould visited Ruth Chapter at Blue Earth last Thursday. The Stars at Cloquet gave a supper and musical program to their members, Sept. 27. The Chapter at Devils Lake, N. D. held memorial services, Sunday, 30. The Chapter at Missoula, Mont., put on the drama, "Under Two Flags", at the opera house last Friday night. Forty members of the Chapter at Oconto, Wis., recently surprised one of the Sisters with an evening entertainment consisting of a picture guessing contest and refreshments. The Grand Matron of Wisconsin visited the Chapter at Merrillan, Oct. 3.

The Oconomowoc, Wis., Chapter will give a series of parties on the first and third Tuesday of each month, beginning Oct. 2nd.

Mrs. W. P. Tabor will entertain the Thimble Bee of Minnehaha Chapter at her home, 2621 Bloomington Ave., Friday afternoon, Oct. 12.

Mrs. A. L. Vrooman, 7 South 6th St. is receiving new goods in all departments. Observer readers will do well to call and examine them.

Mrs. H. S. Tuttle, 2746 Clinton Ave., will entertain the Past Worthy Matrons of Lorraine Chapter at 1 o'clock luncheon, at her home Friday, Oct. 12.

St. Paul Court No. 2, O. of A., will hold a regular meeting in Summit Lodge room, corner Laurel and McKubin Ave., Tuesday night, 9th. All members are requested to bring applications for the November class to this meeting. As the Deputy Supreme Patron and other notables will be present a large attendance is urged. Arrangements are being made to have Mistletoe Court No. 1, confer the degrees in November.

ROYAL ORDER OF SCOTLAND.

The provincial grand lodge of the Royal Order of Scotland held its annual session Sept. 17, in Ionic Hall, Masonic Temple, Boston. There was



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a large attendance, principally from the northern Masonic jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite but members attended from all over the country. Provincial Grand Master James D. Richardson presided. The degree was conferred on a large number of candidates in the afternoon, and a banquet was held in the Hotel Brunswick in the evening, which was largely attended.

The provincial grand lodge holds its sessions in connection with the sessions of the supreme council of the Scottish Rite, alternately in the northern and southern jurisdictions. It derives its authority from the grand lodge of Scotland, the provincial grand master being appointed by that body for life. The King of Scotland is the hereditary grand master of the grand lodge of Scotland, but as there is no King of Scotland since the union with England, the grand lodge is presided over by a deputy grand master. The provincial grand lodge holds no elections, as the provincial grand master appoints them to hold office during life or during his pleasure.

Provincial Grand Master Richardson yesterday gave his annual allocution, which includes obituaries of members deceased during the past year, and information regarding the business affairs of the provincial grand lodge and its relation to other bodies. The reports submitted by the grand secretary, grand treasurer and finance committee and other standing committees showed a satisfactory condition of affairs.

The officers for this session are as follows: Provincial grand master James D. Richardson of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; deputy provincial grand master, Henry M. Palmer of Milwaukee; senior grand warden George M. Moulton of Chicago; junior grand warden James L. Buchanan of Pittsburg; grand sword bearer, Thomas R. Morrow of Kansas City, Mo.; grand standard bearer, William B. Melish of Cincinnati; grand secretary, William Oscar Roome of Washington; grand treasurer, Thomas J. Shryock of Baltimore; grand chaplain, Howard F. Hill of Concord, N. H.; first grand marischal, George E. Corson of Washington; second grand marischal, John H. Olcott of Washington; first grand steward, Allison Nailor Jr. of Washington; second grand steward, William H. LaPointe of Boston; third grand steward, James A. Whitcomb of Boston; fourth grand steward, Charles P. Sparkman of Paterson, N. J.; grand guarder, Millard, F. Hicks of Portland, Me.; grand organist, H; P. C. S. Stewart of Detroit.—Boston Ideas.

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The 64th annual conclave, grand commandery, K. T., Ohio, was held at Toledo, Sept. 26 and 27. There was a reception in the evening, the 25th; an address of welcome by Mayor Whitlock, a parade and review, steamer excursion, reception and ball, on the 26th, and an automobile ride for visiting ladies on the 27th.

FROM FRANCE.

A Masonic conference was begun in Paris, September 24. Among the questions to be submitted is one as to whether Fremasonry is to be radical or socialist. The following problems of social reform are to be examined: The proposed income tax, old age pensions, laws for public assistance and the relations between capital and labor.

WEST AUSTRALIAN IDEAS.

Under this heading the Masonic Review publishes, without comment, a letter to the West Australian Freemason, suggesting the publication in that monthly of the names of all proposed candidates, and the editors offer to publish the same under the heading of "Propositions for Admission." We do not believe that any Masonic Lodge in the U. S. would approve of such publication or that any Masonic paper in this Country would publish such a list.

SHRINERS' ANNUAL.

Friday will be Shriners Day at Minneapolis. A trolly ride over the two cities for visiting Nobles and their families, leaving the West Hotel at 2. Ceremonial session in the evening; a theatre party at the Orpheum, for all Nobles and their imediate families, seats free, tickets at 215 Masonic Temple, to be followed by a buffet luncheon and dancing at the Temple.

For other meetings see the calendar on last page.

THE MASONIC HOME.

The Masonic Home Committee held a meeting at Saint Paul last Thursday and completed the organization by electing directors and other officers and signing the articles of incorporation. The Directors are: G. S. Ives, St. Paul, T. W. Hugo, Duluth, Mary C. Taylor, Minneapolis, Wm. P. Roberts, Minneapolis, Frank H. Carleton, Minneapolis, Archibald Guthrie, St. Paul, R. A. Wilkinson, Crookston, A. G. Pinkham, late of Owatonna, now of St. Paul.—Andrews, Mankato, W. A. McGonagle, Duluth, A. D. Countryman, Appleton and Will Hayes Laird, Winona. The officers are: Gideon S. Ives, president, T. W. Hugo, 1st vice president, Mary C. Taylor, 2nd vice president, Wm. P. Roberts, secretary, Frank H. Carleton, treasurer. Brothers Ives and Roberts were appointed a committee to draft the by-laws and other necessary papers.

COMMANDERY INSPECTION.

Grand Commander, Charles L. West, has appointed inspecting officers and made assignments as follows: A. M. Shuey, Minneapolis, Damascus No. 1, St. Paul; Thos. Montgomery, St. Paul, Bayard No. 11, Stillwater; John A. Schlener, Minneapolis, Couer de Lion, No. 3, Winona; Harry E. Whitney, Faribault, St. Bernard, No. 13, Austin; J. W. Chamberlin, St. Paul, Duluth No. 18, Duluth; Geo. W. Buck, Duluth, Paladin No. 21, St. Paul; Will Hayes Laird, Winona, Malta No. 25, Preston, Home No. 5, Rochester, Cyrene No. 9, Owatonna; C. E. Ovenshire, Minneapolis, Lake City No. 6, Lake City, Palestine No. 14, Fergus Falls; John Fishel, St. Paul, Red Wing No. 10, Red Wing, Zion No. 2, Minneapolis; W. C. Masterman, Stillwater, Minneapolis Mounted No. 23, Minneapolis, Ascalon No. 16, Brainerd; Jas R. Smith, Faribault, Darius No. 7, Minneapolis, Mankato No. 4, Mankato; J. B. Hingeley, Minneapolis, De Molay No. 26, New Ulm, Fairmont No. 27, Fairmont; John C. Black, Duluth, Constantine No. 20, Crookston, Nazarine No. 24, St. Cloud; Geo. F. Dix, St. Paul, Bethel No. 19, Morris, Wadena No. 29, Wadena. The Grand Cammander will personally inspect Apollo No. 12, Albert Lea, Faribault No. 8, Faribault, Luverne No. 22, Luverne, Melita No. 17, Litchfield and Marshall No. 28, Marshall.

Grand Commander says: "An elaborate banquet is not the thing desired; tactics, ritual, more interest in the work of the Order and higher ideals of Christian Knighthood are much more important."

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

The Masonic Hall at Red Wing, has been renovated and re-decorated recently. A heating plant is being put into the Masonic Hall at Bemidji, Minn. The officers of Austin Chapter R. A. M., Austin, Minn., were installed Sept. 21. Arthur T. Kielmyer, victim of a railroad wreck at New Prague, was buried by Western Star Lodge No. 26, at Albert Lea, Minn., Sept. 27. The lodge at Perham, Minn., resumed labor Sept. 22, with work on the M. M. degree. Mt. Tabor No. 106, Detroit, Minn., resumed work with the E. A. degree, Oct. 2. Many Masons attended the funeral of Miss Eda Stites, daughter of Brother A. H. Stites, at Sioux Falls, S. D., Sept. 28. Aberdeen, S. D. Masons are regretting the removal of Rev. Bro. M. F. Montgomery, E. C. of Damascus Commandery, and an active worker in all the Masonic bodies. Fire destroyed the Masonic Hall and all contents at Hillsboro, Wis., Sept. 27. Henry L. Palmer of Milwaukee, Wis., recently re-elected Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite Masons of the Northern Jurisdiction, has served that body since 1879. Brother Palmer was Grand Master in 1851, 1853, 1871 and 1872; Grand High Priest in 1858, 1859; Grand Commander, K. T., 1858 to 1865 inclusive; Grand Master, Grand Council, 1863, 1864 and Grand Master, Grand Encampment, K. T., 1865; he has resided in Wisconsin since 1849. The Masonic building at Deer Lodge, Mont., has been repapered, painted and decorated this summer. A new Lodge has been instituted at Joliet,

Mont. Ruby Lodge of Phillipsburgh, Mont., has been removed to Drummond, by permission of Grand Lodge; a new hall costing $2500 has been erected for it. The new Masonic Home at Helena, Mont., is to be only one story, of a long, rambling style of architecture, every room to be an outside one, giving light and sunshine to each. Twenty-five Templars and Scottish Rite Masons of Cour de'Alene, Idaho, recently went to Spokane, Wash., to visit the Interstate fair and, incidentally (?) to take the Shrine degrees. The Grand Commandery, Oregon, Sept. 27, elected the following: Geo. H. Burnett, G. C., Frank J. Miller, D. G. C., A. F. Knapp, Gen., T. C. Taylor, C. G., W. A. Cleland, S. W., H. B. Thelson, J. W., B. G. Whitehouse, treasurer, James F. Robinson, recorder. The next conclave will be held at Portland.

A FULL WEEK.

Always read the Calendar on the last page. The week opens with the meeting of the Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, at Masonic Temple, Minneapolis, Monday, 2 p. m., followed by special joint meetings of Minneapolis Council No. 2, and Adoniram No. 5, at 7: 30, at which all the degrees wil be conferred in full form by visiting Councils. Every member of the Rite is invited to attend the evening assemblies on 6th floor of the Temple. The Scottish Rite degrees, 1—14, will be conferred, beginning at 1 p. m., 4th floor Masonic Temple.

Tuesday the Grand Cahpter, R. A. M., will hold its annual convocation at St. Paul, opening at 10 a. m.; the Royal Arch degree will be conferred in the evening.

The Scottish Rite degrees, 15—18, will be conferred by the Minneapolis, bodies, work beginning at 4:30.

Wednesday the Scottish Rite degrees, 19—30, will be conferred at Minneapolis, beginning at 3 p. m. Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will confer the Fellow Craft degree in the evening, serving a lunch after the work; Worshipful Master Pray expects a very large attendance.

Thursday, beginning at 4 o'clock, the 31st and 32nd degrees will be conferred by Minneapolis Consistory, the customary banquet following.

A special meeting of Zuhrah Temple, for balloting, will be held immediately following the close of the 32nd degree; a large number of petitions are in the hands of the recorder and the members are urged to attend this meeting.

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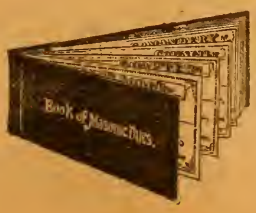
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Wm. P. Roberts, S. G. W., left last Friday for a trip to Iowa.

Shriners should read Wendell & Greenwood's ad. in this issue.

Stuart Gamble has gone to see the "old folks at home" in Nebraska.

Henry Butler Schwartz, 32°, Los Angeles, Cal., was a caller last Thursday.

Mrs. C. R. Cooley is at Sparta, Wis., attending her mother who is seriously ill.

George Bahan, Ark 176, is the new president of the Police relief association.

Lorne Dean, Hennepin No. 4, has gone to Denver where he expects to locate.

Ark Lodge No. 176, will confer the Fellow Craft degree, Friday, 19th; note the date.

Minnehaha Lodge, 165, Passed one last Tuesday night; has no work set for the future.

C. B. Steelman, Ark 176, and wife, are rejoicing over the arrival on the 3rd of a daughter.

Minnesota Lodge 224, received one petition last Tuesday night; has nothing on this week.

Sir, Knight George C. Knoche, late of Zion No. 2, has become a member of Paladin No. 21.

John Shannon, 2321 S. Girard Ave., Ark Lodge No. 176, died Sept. 30; burial at Rochester, Minn.

R. P. Pratt, Ark 176, well known in the city, hase been sick at St. Barnabas Hospital the last two weeks.

Wendell & Greenwood have recently added a pure gold embroidered Fez to their stock. See their Ad. in this paper.

Leroy K. Hallman, Norristown No. 620, Norristown, Pa. was a caller last Tuesday; he contemplates a permanent residence.

J. C. Sheasgreen, a member of No. 19, for 40 years, has returned to the city from Scanlon, Minn., where he has been located.

O. W. Eller, Tuscan 44, Bottineau, N. D., was a caller last Thursday; Bro. Eller and wife, the latter a Star, propose locating in the city.

John A. Goff of Josephus No. 128, Mapelton, a brother of H. S. Goff, secretary of No. 165, is in the city serving Uncle Sam as a juror.

Plymouth Lodge, 160 conferred the Fellow Craft degree last Monday, has nothing on this week, will confer the Master Mason degree next Monday night.

Lorraine social club will meet Tuesday, Oct. 9th, at the home of Sister Huntington, 613 4th St. South. All members of Lorraine Chapter and their friends are cordially invited.

Ark Lodge, 176, called a special and conferred the E. A. degree last Thursday night; nothing doing this week.

Minneapolis Lodge, 19, transacted much business at its stated last Wednesday night; all the officers being present. The following visitors were registered: R. Burch, H. O. Hilton, Anoka No. 30; R. A. Sowers, Hebron No. 365, Pa.; F A Weeks, Canton No. 60, Ohio.

The Fellow Craft degree will be conferred Wednesday night, 10th.; the usual lunch will be served.

SCOTTISH RITE.

The Scottish Rite Bodies of Minneapolis opened the Fall and Winter season very auspiciously last Thursday night. A stated meeting of the Lodge of Perfection was held with a large attendance. The vacation report of Secretary Knowlton was listened to with much interest and all acts of the officers fuly approved. A large number of petitions were received and 37 candidates elected for degrees, one for membership and one restored. Immedlately following the close of this body meetings of the other bodies were called successively and a large number of candidates elected to receive the degrees. Enthusiasm prevailed among the members which promises well for the work for the winter months and its is predicted that the Rite in the Valley of Minneapolis will have the most successful year in its history. All members were pleased to greet Brother Paul Higbee who made his first appearance after a long and severe sickness. See calendar on last page for work next week.

Eminent Commander Henry Hahn of Zion Commandery No. 2, K. T., at the six o'clock dinner which this body gave last Thursday, tried to give all the credit for the large attendance to our deserving and well beloved Prelate, Reverend and Sir Knight Charles F. Sharpe, but a large share of it was caused by the pleasure which the Sir Knights felt at greeting their Commander who has been absent because of sickness and is now so far recovered as to be again among them. It was certainly an enthusiastic body which gathered around the board which Sir Knight Maas had spread so generously. As the smoke hour was reached the Eminent Commander in a short and feeling address announced the early departure of Prelate Sharpe who has served Zion so long and so well, and expressed the sorrow of his Fraters at the severance of the cordial relations which were closer even than between Pastor and congregation. Sir Knight Sharpe made a feeling response and retired amidst round after round of applause which but illy expressed the love of his fellows. Sir Knights Ovenshire, Sawyer and Lyons addressed the meeting with remarks of appreciation for the services of the departing Prelate and pledged the support of themselves and Fraters to the efforts of the Eminent Commander to make this a successful year.

The order of the red cross was conferred on three in the afternoon and the order of the temple on five in the evening. The Quartet and Organist were present and added much to the interest in the work which was excellently well rendered. We noted the following visitors; doubtless there were others who failed to register. M. C. Burnside, Mankato, No. 4, E. E. Stoltzman, No. 45, Mich.

The Shriners of Casselton, N. D., gave a dinner to Noble William Gallup, recently, and presented him with a cut glass pitcher. William had just joined the Benedicts.

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SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

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TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

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CAPITAL CITY 217. (St. Paul.) 1st and 3d Tues. E. W. McCord, W. M., Chas. Mitchell, Sec.

Minnesota 224. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Tues. Mas. Tem. Chauncey E. Foster, W. M., V. H. Stough, Sec., City Water Works. (N. W. M. 408. T. C. Cty Hall. 33).

Albert Pike 237. (Hopkins.) 1st and 3d Wed. Wm. L. Fuedner, W. M. Frank K. Wade, Sec., St. Louis Park car at Hen. and 29th st. or Lake Minnetonka car.

FELLOWSHIP 257—(N. St. P.) 3d and 4th Monday. J. W. Herrick, W. M.; E. E. Stone, Sec.

Montgomery 258 (St. P.). 1st and 3d Wed., Masonic Hall, cor. Payne av. and Wells st. A. W. Bergstrom, W. M., H. H. Blinn, Sec., 710 E. Jessamine st.

Tusler, 263, (St. Anthony Park) 1st and 3rd Friday. Fred. Joerns, W. M., K. L. Fieseler, Sec.

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SPECIAL.
Scottish Rite, Minneapolis, degrees 4-14.
Grand Chapter, R. A. M., St. Paul, 10 a. m.
Minneapolis Council No. 2, Adoniram Council No. 5, joint session, degrees, evening.

TUESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Minnehaha 165, 1535 E. Lake.
Palmyra Chap. 55 (St. Paul.)
Zion Commandery No. 2, Mas. Tem., 6 floor.
Harmony Chap. O. E. S. No. 8 Univ. av SE
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SPECIAL.
Scottish Rite, Minneapolis, degrees 15-18.
Grand Council, R. & S. M., Minneapolis, 2 p. m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Hennepin No. 4, Mas. Tem.
Osman Temple, N. M. S., (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
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THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Ancient Landmark 5, (St. P.) 24 W. 5th.
St. Vincent de Paul Chapter Rose Croix.
Mistletoe Court No. 1, O of A (Mpls.).
SPECIAL.
Scottish Rite, Minneapolis, degrees 31-32.
Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Balloting.

FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Khurum No. 112, Mpls.
Summit 163 (St. P.),
Midway No. 185, St. Paul.
Plymouth Chap. O. E. S. No. 19, 304 20 av N.
St. Paul Chapter 24, O. E. S., St. Paul.
SPECIAL.
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SHRINERS LAMENT.

Who took me up the winding stair,
And smoothed my ever rising hair,
And said he would protect me there?
—A SHRINER!

Who took my money—"good, long green"—
For something I had never seen,
And put me through the Shrine Machine?
—A SHRINER!

Who filled me full of wordy "Prunes,"
And sung me fairy pleasing tunes,
And told me that I was immune?
—A LIAR!

Who through the session sure was "IT,"
And made them laugh enough to split,
And for two weeks could hardly sit?
—ME!

Who took me home at break of day,
Showing my weary feet the way,
And said that not a word he'd say?
—A COP!

Will I be there next time they meet?
You bet, and I'll have a front seat;
I'll be there sure, and with both feet.
—THAT'S ME!

HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"Well, they knocked your man out," observed the Flippant Young Mason.

"Knocked my man out? I had no man to knock out," replied the Solid Old Mason.

"Why, you were on the committee on —— ——, weren't you?"

"Yes."

"Well, he was blackballed, wasn't he?"

"Yes, but he was in no sense my man," said the S. O. Mason. "I was only one of a committee appointed to investigate whether he was worthy to be a Mason, and finding him so in our opinion, we reported favorably. There our interest in the matter ended—at least mine did—and his fate became the property of every member of the lodge present."

"I should feel considerably cut up if a report I had made were treated that way," said the Flippant Young Mason.

"You'll get over that after you have served on a few committees," said the older one. "In the first place, it is the right, which is not to be questioned, of every brother to say whether a man may become a member of his lodge or not. Those who blackball an applicant usually have good reasons for doing so, or think they have, which amounts to the same thing."

"But it is unmasonic to keep a man out because of personal prejudice," said the F. Y. Mason.

"True," replied the S. O. M., "but there is nothing so easy for a brother to convince himself of as that a man whom he does not like is not fit to be a Mason."

"But such a brother puts his own judgment up against that of a committee whose business it was to discover whether there was anything objectionable in the candidate's character," said the F. Y. M.

"True again," said the S. O. M., "but he may be possessed of information which the committee did not have."

"Then was it not his duty to give that information to the committee?"

"Yes, and perhaps he does so, and the committee do not attach the same importance to it that he does—what then? Why, then he avails himself of the means given him of keeping him out—the black ball. What would be the use of taking a ballot if the report of the committee were final? The committee are merely the agents of the lodge to discover whether the petitioner is worthy—not merely whether he has ever acted unworthily, but whether there is in him that which would make him a desirable member of the lodge—not that he is not bad, but that he is good."

"Well, I would feel like making a fuss about it, if I were on a committee and reported a man to be all right, if he were turned down," said the F. Y. Mason.

"To be a Mason is no man's right, but a privilege, assent to which must be given, actively or passively, by every member of the lodge. You have a perfect right to prevent the admission of any man who applies and are responsible to no power on earth for your vote. Masonry is a social institution, and we have a right to say whom we will not associate with, provided we got there first," replied the S. O. Mason.

"Well, do you think it is right?"

"Sure! Whatever is Masonic is right."

EXTRACTS FROM ANNUAL ADDRESS OF CHARLES S. SCHUMAN, GRAND MASTER GRAND COUNCIL, R. & S. M. MINNESOTA.

The resistless tide of time has brought us together again in annual assembly as the Grand Council of the State of Minnesota. One year has passed, and with it its opportunities for good and evil, its records of prosperity and adversity, and its enumeration of successes and failures. It has been an eventful year. One perhaps of unprecedented prosperity. But even prosperity has a train of evils. In prosperous times men are more extravagant; the eye of supervision is less vigilant; the opportunities for peculation are more numerous. During the last few months there have been many evidences of the weaknesses of man in position of responsibility, and more than once have men's confidence been shaken in man. Emerson says that the "World is upheld by the veracity of good men: they

make the earth wholesome." When, however, men of supposed integrity prove recreant to their trust,—traitors at the post of duty,—it not only pulls down that individual, but it creates an unrest in the minds of the people which produces the very opposite conditions to those so aptly phrased by the sage of Concord. The philosophy of Masonry teaches men to be true to every trust; to be honest with his neighbors; to be upright in his business dealings; to be faithful in his family and domestic relations, and true to the high purposes of his manhood. He who has passed through our ceremonies and has not conceived that these were the fundamental truths taught, and that it is alone for the inculcation of these principles that the institution of Masonry exists, has failed to grasp the very essence of our ancient and honorable society. More than in any other age of the world perhaps we need a nobler and sturdier manhood. In our national life we are the peer of any nation in the world. We have national responsibilities to discharge of great importance. In a short space of time this nation has extended its good offices to settle the dispute between foreign powers and thereby has entered upon the arena of world politics. But this is rather a tribute to the manly integrity of the chief executive, who in his personal character very well exemplifies the type of character which is developed by Masonic teachings, than to any move on the checker board of international politics. What we need most in these days is a nobler citizenship, a longing for higher ideals, loftier purposes a more consecrated determination to live for the betterment of man such as is taught in our ritual, and in the literature and the history of our ancient craft. The perfectly rounded man, true to himself and true to his brethren, is a national as well as a Masonic asset. To that ideal our eyes should be constantly turned. Men of earnest determined purpose to do the right, who aspire alone to rectitude of conduct and right living have a power which no man can measure or human intellect analyze. Our engagements as Masons point unerringly to that plain course as the chart of our conduct both for the good of ourselves and the welfare of mankind. In handing back to you the authority given me as Grand Master, I desire to leave with you these reflections as to our duties and responsibilities as Masons.

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The Grand Council was represented in the General Grand Council by the Grand Master and Right Ill. Companion Thomas Montgomery, proxy for the R. Ill. Deputy Master and R. Ill. Principal Conductor of the Work.

The sessions of the triennial assembly were full of interest.. It appeared from the reports of the officers that the Cryptic rite throughout the United States is in a healthy condition. The growth while not what some of us might wish, is encouraging. In the last three years the net increase in our membership has been 7,942. The figures show that the year 1905 had the greatest proportionate increase.

I have been wondering ever since the triennial what I should say with reference to the hospitality of the Boston companions. Words fail to give it a proper setting. Like a picture of the great masters it cannot be described more than in outline. In brief it was spontaneous, generous and genuine. The doors of their beautiful Temple were thrown open to the companions and attention was given to every want by competent and alert committees, which seemed to even anticipate our desires. The companions were not the only ones thought of. Entertainment was provided for the ladies while the companions were at labor, and with a car-ride to the historic places of Lexington and Concord, with auto rides around the parks and parkways, and excursions through historic Boston our lady friends had a most delightful time, and one not soon to be forgotten.

One afternoon labor was suspended and accompanied by the ladies, we were treated to an excursion in Boston Harbor, a pleasure keenly enjoyed.

The good feeling and spirit of comradeship at these gatherings were peculiarly noticeable and did much to strengthen the ties of brotherly love and affection among the companions.

There was not much legislation before the General Grand Council. The General Grand Master had nothing to refer to the committee on Jurisprudence, a condition without precedent I believe in the General Grand Body. One item of legislation which affects this Grand Council, is the changing of the plan of raising revenue. It was found that insufficient funds were being raised for the support of the General Grand Council and the plan was adopted to base the per capita on a membership basis instead of a levy of so much per council. The change it seems to me is an eminently fair one, and one which will increase the funds of the General Grand Council.

Perhaps one of the most helpful features of the triennial from the ritualistic point of view was the exemplification of the Super Excellent degree by Boston Council. No companion who saw that work could have failed to have discovered the splendid possibilities of this degree, which I fear in this jurisdiction is not given the place which its importance demands. I have no doubt but that the splendid work of Boston Council will bear a rich fruitage in the appreciation of what a little intelligent and zealous effort can do in making a degree too often thought to be dull, bright and attractive, as well as inspiring and uplifting. I note with keenest pleasure that some of the Minnesota Councils have caught the



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On April 7th, 1906, ten Royal and Select Masters, residing in Sauk Center petitioned for a dispensation to form a Council at that place. Being impressed that the motive expressed by the companions, both by personal intercourse and by correspondence, was not idle curiosity, but a sincere desire to perfect their Masonic knowledge, I granted the dispensation, and appointed the following officers:

Comp. Lyman R. Barto, Thrice Illustrious Master.

Comp. Chas. McCracken, Ill. Deputy Master.

Comp. Horace F. Alden, Ill. Principal Conductor of the Work.

I directed these officers to return the dispensation to the Grand Council with a full report of their doings thereunder for your consideration.

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At the last Assembly of this Grand Council a resolution was passed authorizing the Grand Master to appoint a Committee of three to act in conjunction with a like committee from the other Masonic Grand bodies, when such committees should be appointed. At the last session of the Grand Lodge a resolution was adopted authorizing the in-coming Grand Master to appoint a committee of twelve "to organize and perfect a corporation under the laws of the State of Minnesota, having for its object the accumulation of a fund and the erection and maintenance of a Masonic Home in this jurisdiction." The resolution provided further that if practicable, all the other Masonic Grand bodies together will the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite and the Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star should be represented in the committee. I understand from the newspapers that a committee has been appointed and has been organized. I have no knowledge as to the representation, if any, that this Grand Council has upon this committee.

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In line with the recommendation of my predecessor that there be an exemplification of the work of the degrees on the evening of each annual assemply, of the Grand Council, I have made provision for work in this hall this evening. Being impressed with the efficiency of the officers of Sauk Center Council, U. D., in the work, and having so much confidence in their zeal and knowledge, I have invited them to confer the Royal and Select Master degree before this grand body. This invitation was accepted and the companions are here to do the work. The Super-Excellent degree will be worked by St. Paul Council No. 1. Sauk Center Council is largely the architect of its own fortunes. I believe the only work which the members of this Council have seen was at Fergus Falls when they themselves were candidates, and at their own council on the night of institution. Aside from these two occasions they have had to make their own interpretations of the ritual. I have asked them to do the work not with an idea that they will be able to show the older councils how to do it, but rather as an exhibition of what patient, intelligent study, interest and enthusiasm can do in perfecting a knowledge of the ritual.

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In conclusion, permit me to thank this grand council for the honor done me personally, of permitting me to preside in this high office. It shall be one of the pleasant recollections of my life to have been deemed worthy of this distinction by my companions in this Grand Body. The opportunities before us are great. Let us press forward to higher ideals. Let the light of love shine in our hearts and dominate our conduct towards one another. Let the broad spirit of liberty and equality have sway over our lives, and when our labors are ended in the Tabernacle here below, may it be with the assurance that as men and Masons we shall have an abundant entrance into the Celestial Temple above, that house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, O. E. S., will keep open house for Ida McKinley Chapter, of Hopkins, the first regular meeting night in November, 12th. A large attendance is expected.

On Wednesday eve next, Oct. 17, sister and brother S. J. Bowler will entertain Minneapolis Chapter and all interested friends at their home, 1516 West 25 St. This will be in the nature of a musicial and literary program with other features including refreshments, to which everyone is invited.—Mrs. McGuire, Cor.

The annual meeting of Zuhrah Ladies of the Mystic Shrine was held Oct. 6. The meeting was well attended and three candidates were led over the sands which are in this society but moderately heated as seems better suited to their soles and timid souls.

Reports for the year were made by the secretary and treasurer and show a prosperous condition, there being a balance of over one thousand dollars in the treasury. Much charitable work had been done under the efficient leadership of Mrs. Chauncy E Foster, the retiring president, who was warmly congratulated upon her successful term, and who positively declined re-election.

The newly elected officers are Mrs. J. F. Ells, President. Vice presidents Mrs. Harry S. Ray and Mrs. C. M. Rawitzer. Trustees Mrs. Geo. B. Hyser and Mrs. F. C. Barrows. Mrs. J. L. Brown and Mrs. John Hornbrook being elected to succeed themselves as secretary and treasurer.

The husbands of the ladies were invited guests at an elegant dinner which was served at half past six o'clock, with Mrs. J. A. Falconer, Mrs. W. M. Walker, Mrs. W. S. Campbell and Mrs. H. Fankhauser as committee in charge.

A pleasant evening was spent with card games as entertainment—Mrs. J. S. Brown.

St. Paul Court No. 2, at its regular meeting last Thursday, conferred the degrees on four candidates; several members were present from Minneapolis. It was decided to invite Mistletoe Court No. 1, to confer the degrees in November.

Beginning last Friday, Palestine Chapter, O. E. S., will give a card party every two weeks.

A. & A. S. R.

The Bodies of the rite in the Valley of Minneapolis closed a very successful session of four days last Thursday night. The Lodge of Perfection received thirty members, Rose Croix twenty-six, Preceptory and Consistory each twenty-three. The degree work was exceptionally good. An era of good feeling prevailed, old members were in evidence and a new feature in the music—the introduction of brass instruments—was a pleasing surprise. We noted the following visitors: G. C. Smith, Jas. R. Crystal and F. C. Hanford of Winona No. 4, Geo. Herbert, St. Paul No. 1, Chas. H. Mc Farlane and D. D. Mayne, Wisconsin No. 1, and Thos. D. Whittles, Dakota No. 1. An elegant banquet was served by Maas, Thursday night.

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HELP, AID AND ASSIST.

These words occur in the bond upon which Freemasonry is established. They are the main stays in the building, which, united by the strong cement of Brotherly Love and affection, uphold and support the grand Masonic structure. They are taught to every Neophyte as he stands upon the checkered pavement, traverses the middle chamber and enters the sanctum sanctorum of the Temple. Every Master Mason is bound by the most solemn covenant to help, aid and assist all poor and distresed worthy Brethren applying to him for assistance, so far as their necessities may demand and his ability permit. This duty is taught him in the ceremonies of Masonry in the most impressive manner, and in language so plain that it can not be misunderstood. Hence, it is not only the privilege, but it is the right of every worthy Brother to ask assistance when in distress, and he should not feel that it is self-humiliating for him to do so. Sickness or other misfortune has placed many a man in a destitute condition, without the power to help himself, when it was no fault of his; and every Brother reduced to this extremity should feel that his Brethren will esteem it a privilege to provide for his wants in such cases. This relation not only exists among members of the same Lodge, but it extends to every Brother on the face of the earth. A Mason made in Maine and holding his membership in that State is as much a Mason in Oregon while sojourning in the latter State, and is entitled to recognition as such. His Lodge extends from "East to West and from North to South," and true Masonic charity is no less extensive.

But is a Mason or a Masonic Lodge in duty bound to contribute aid in all cases when the applicant proves himself a Mason? We answer most emphatically, no. The applicant should not only prove himself a Mason, but he should be required to show satisfactorily that his standing as such is good, and that he is actually in need of assistance.

These points should be established beyond a reasonable doubt in all cases. If he has not the evidence in his possession to do so, with our present mail and telegraphic facilities it can be done in a short time and with but little expense. Nearly all the calls for aid at the present day come from strangers traveling through the country by rail. They generally come from some point a long way off, and are out of funds with their journey but half completed. In forty-nine cases out of fifty they are imposters without a shadow of a claim on the Craft. Any man can ascertain what it will cost him to travel a given distance before starting out, and make provisions accordingly. If money must be raised, let it be done among his friends and acquaintances and not among strangers.—Masonic Advocate.

We want all readers of the Observer to carefully read the article, "Help, Aid and Assist," printed in this issue. It is from the pen of Martin H. Rice, P. G. M., P. G. H. P., and P. I. G. M. of Indiana, who is an authority on Masonic questions. We want especially to impress upon our readers the requirement that an applicant for relief should show that he is a member in good standing in some Lodge; in this connection we call attention to the Minnesota law. "It being the duty of every Mason to belong to a Lodge, and contribute to its funds; therefore any Mason who does not contribute to the funds or belong to some Lodge, shall not be entitled to join in processions, or to receive assistance, or Masonic burial." Sec. 38, G. L. Constitution. This does not mean that he shall not receive it, but that he can not demand it and if given it is simply an act of benevolence.

K. T. EXCURSION AND PICNIC.

The following is a summary of the report of the committee: There was a total of 571 full tickets and 71 half tickets sold, amounting to 606.50. The disbursements were as follows: Printing $45.50, transportation $205.00, prizes $64.50, sports $1.40, music $73.00, postage, etc. $13.85, refreshments $95.00; total expense $428.95, leaving a balance on hand of $108.25. A permanent organization was effected, subject to ratification by the several Commanderies, with the following officers: E. C. Bonniwell, Darius No. 7, president; C. G. Laybourn, Mounted, No. 23, vice-president; Geo. W. Critten Zion No. 2, secretary; J. G. Houghton, No. 23, treasurer.

Editor Masonic Observer,
Dear Sir:—

Your review of the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter O. E. S. for the year 1906, was read with interest. As we are in a measure responsible for the perfection of this work we feel it a duty to explain some of your criticisms that no member of the order may be misinformed, or read the report incorrectly.

Of the 37 dispensations issued by the Grand Matron, 35 were to either elect or install officers; 26 of these were required to fill vacancies caused by death or removal from the jurisdiction, only six were required to hold the annual election after the prescribed time.

There are many causes for this condition other than neglect of officers. We believe with few exceptions the officers of the Chapters in Minnesota study the law and try to follow it.

The Grand Secretary publishes under the heading "List of Chapters that have surrendered" only such Chapters as have officially surrendered the Charters and effects to this office. Of this number there are fourteen, leaving unaccounted for four who have ceased to exist, and who were as follows, Beulah No. 14, at Howard Lake, Bird Island No. 40, at Bird Island, Pleasant Grove No. 103, at Pleasant Grove, and River Park, No. 134, which

latter Chapter however, died before receiving the Charter bearing this number, but was afterwards reorganized and numbered 146.

Quoting from review: "As the printer carelessly mixed the tables on pages 80, 81 and 82 it is difficult to arrive at the loss and gain and the Secretary's report is silent as to the membership statistics."

If you will look a little more carefully you will find that the tables on the aforesaid pages are not mixed in the least particular, but on continuing the report on second page the figures 5 and 6 in heading, are transposed by mistake. The different columns appear under the proper headings and the sum totals are correct.

The Grand Secretary does not desire to take all the glory from the proper committees, but furnishes an index which if referred to will give you two pages on which you will find recorded the increase in membership each year, also the total membership. The index will also refer you to the report of the Committee on returns which gives officially the same figures and corresponds with the table referred to.

True, there are a few typographical errors as in all publications, but the one you allude to "showing our old friend Dr. Chas. Bevan to be Worthy Matron" is not a serious one. We think the Dr. capable of filling either position with credit to the order, but his name appears in the proceedings of 1906 just where it belongs. "Directory of Chapters" gives the Number, Chapter, Location, Worthy Matron, Worthy Patron, Secretary and date of meeting in the proper columns. Unfortunately on the last page of this list of names the letters P. and M. were transposed.

All are liable to mistakes, but we believe the reports of the Grand Chapter O. E. S. of Minnesota will compare favorably with other Jurisdictions.

Mary C. Taylor,
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Ozman Temple will have a ceremonial session Friday night, 19th.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., will confer degrees Friday night, 19th; there will be some special features.

Noble and Mrs. Cyrus Beall, formerly of Minneapolis, now of Fergus Falls, were visitors at Zuhrah's entertainment last week.

E. J. Carter of Missoula, Mont., J. G. W. of the Grand Commandery, and wife, are visiting Bros. W. H. Lyons and O. E. Fehlhaber.

Charles H. Howard of No. 19, an attorney located in the Kasota Block, was buried by the Lodge, Oct. 8. We are not advised as to particulars.

Max B. Von Kaufman, 1316 S. 6th. St., member of Minneapolis lodge No. 19, Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, and Minneapolis Council No. 2, is sick; visit him.

We overheard the conversation of two prospective Shrine candidates at a luncheon Tuesday night, who have since been elected and probably joined the Friday night class. Knowing their feelings in advance we have endeavored, in the "Shriners' Lament", to express their after-feelings.

J. S. Gamble, Hennepin No. 4, and Ark Chapter No. 53, is now in the drug business at Harvey, N. D.; since going north Bro. Gamble has become a member of Ivanhoe commandery at Lisbon, and of El Zagel Temple at Fargo. Mrs. Gamble is a member of the O. E. S.; just now they are rejoicing over the arrival, Sept 28, of their first child, a girl.

GRAND COUNCIL, R. & S. M.

The thirty-seventh annual assembly of this body was held in the Council chambers of Minneapolis Council No. 2, Monday, October 8, with all officers present except the grand chaplain and grand steward. The attendance of representatives was the largest in the history of the body. The Grand Council was especially favored by the presence of Geo. W. Cooley, who was the first recorder of the general grand Council and is a past general grand Master, and of Andrew P. Swanstrom, General Grand Master for the term ending in June, 1906, both of whom are permanent members of this grand body and residents of the jurisdiction.

The report of the grand recorder shows 114 greeted, 16 joined, 6 restored, 21 withdrawn, 3 stricken from the rolls, 11 dead; total gain, 136; total loss, 35; net gain, 101; present membership 908. The treasurer's report shows a cash balance of $346.65, and invested funds $500.00. The jewel provided for last year, was presented to Dwight M. Baldwin, P. G. M., during the year. The report showed that Minneapolis Council No. 2, had sent $35.00 to the California relief fund. A charter was granted to Sauk Center Council, No. 11.

The following officers were elected, appointed and installed, the installation being conducted by Past General Grand Masters, Cooley and Swanstrom: William C. Allen, No. 2, grand Master; Chas. B. Johnson, No. 4, deputy grand Master; Albert Bush, No. 2, principal conductor of the work: Giles W. Merrill, No. 1, grand treasurer; Thomas Montgomery, No. 5, grand recorder; John T. Johnson, No. 8, grand captain of the guards; Frank J. Meyst, No. 5, grand conductor of the council; Lyman R. Barto, No. 11, grand chaplain; John Lowey, No. 10, grand steward, Charles J. Kruger No. 1, grand sentinel.

The grand council and guests were entertained at a six o'clock dinner by Minneapolis Council No. 2.

In the evening a joint assembly of Minneapolis No. 2, and Adoniram No. 5, was held and all the degrees conferred in full form; the Royal Master and Select Master by the new Sauk Center Council, and the Super Excellent Master by John Fishel and A. P. Swanstrom with assistants selected from the members present. The work of Sauk Center Council, the first done by that body, was well rendered. The Minnesota Quartet was in charge of the musical program. A luncheon was served to more than 100 guests after the work, Minneapolis No. 2, and Adoniram No. 5, uniting as hosts.

The six o'clock dinner and the luncheon were served by Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., and were of the very best in quality and service.

IN THE LODGES.

Minneapolis No. 19, conferred the F. C. degree Wednesday night with the usual accessories of illustrations, music and lectures. The east, west and south were filled by Bros. Chesher, Braden and Clarendon with Gilbert at the pipe organ and the Minnesota Quartet as vocalists. There was a large attendance, many being visitors; the W. M., Secretary and a large delegation from Wayzata No. 205, being present. After the close of the lodge secretary Young and Dayton Adams entertained those who remained for more than an hour with steroptican views. No. 19 will confer the Entered Apprentice degree Wednesday, 24th. The Lodges meeting in the second floor hall have been prevented from working by delay in completing the lodge room; it is now thought that it may be occupied this week. Minnesota No. 224, has set work on the Entered Apprentice degree for Tuesday night, 16th. Braden Lodge No. 168, St. Paul, entered a class of seven at a special last Thursday night. Cataract Lodge No. 2, conferred the first degree last Wednesday night and will confer the second degree Tuesday night, 16th. Zion Commandery No. 2, has a good deal of work in sight and plans are laid which promises a busy and prosperous season. The entertainment committee consisting of Sir Knights L. F. Foote, H. F. Fankhauser and J. F. Ells, has arranged for a series of dancing parties to take place Nov. 15, Dec. 13, Jan. 10, Feb. 7 and March 7.

ZUHRAH TEMPLE.

A special session of Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., was held in the Scottish Rite rooms Thursday night, called for the purpose of balloting on candidates under dispensation; there were 100 in attendance, many being out-of-town members. Thirty-four candidates were elected to receive the degrees and one was restored to membership. The ceremonial session of Friday night promises to exceed all former ones in point of attendance, over eleven hundred theatre tickets having been distributed up to Thursday night, and Friday opened with ideal weather for the Trolley tour for visiting Nobles and their ladies. The Observer goes to press too early to give particulars as to ceremonial or entertainments.



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Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
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SPECIAL.

Cataract Lodge, No. 2. (Minneapolis.)
Work in F. C. degree.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.

STATED.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Albert Pike 237 (Hopkins).
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SPECIAL.

Hennepin No. 4, Mas. Tem.

THURSDAY EVENING.

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HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"Well, the time to elect officers will soon be here," said the Violently Active Mason. "Have you thought anything about it?"

"No," said the Smoothly Placid Brother; "I have got so used to seeing election time come around at the latter end of the year that it doesn't ruffle me any more."

"Don't you think that we ought to exercise a little judgment as to whom we get into the line to be future Masters?"

"Oh, yes, I think it is wise to exercise good judgment in the selection of officers not alone with an eye to the future, but having regard to the character of service they render in the minor positions."

"In some jurisdictions the lodges elect even the lowest officers, said the V. A. Brother. " Do you approve of that?"

"I do if those started in the line are expected to eventually reach the East," said the S. P. Brother. "Otherwise you give the Masters the power to name their future successors."

"Don't you think the brother who has served through all the minor positions—borne the heat and burden of the day, so to speak—should be promoted to the elective line to the Mastership?"

"Well, that depends on a number of things—how well he has borne the heat and burden of the day, for one thing; and whether, all other things being equal, he has any other claims to promotion than the favor of two or three successive Masters. Where the line up to senior deacon is appointive I do not see any reason why those composing it should be more favored than those who, being equally qualified, have not had sufficient 'pull' to get appointed."

"Do you think 'pull' is a good word to use in that sense?"

"It expresses the idea, doesn't it? I do not think, as a general proposition, that enjoying the favor of a Master sufficiently to get an appointive office should entitle the beneficiary to any superior consideration where the elective positions are concerned. I believe in the good old rule that obtains in some jurisdictions, and ought to everywhere—that a lodge may elect a Worshipful Master from the floor if it wishes to."

"Well, I don't. I think the promotion should be regular from junior steward up to Worshipful Master, if the brother wants to serve in all the positions necessary to reach that great honor."

"Then it would be necessary only to elect a junior steward each year. The officers above would progress naturally, the top sliding off into the Past Masters' corps when the year ended."

"Well don't you think the officer who has filled a position for a year is entitled to promotion as just remuneration for his work?"

"No; every office in Masonry is its own remuneration. If it will be for the lodge's welfare to promote an officer, do so. But the welfare of the lodge is the only thing that should be considered. The officer is its servant, who should fe retained, promoted, or dismissed as may be for its best interests."

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"I have never yet cast a blackball," said the Easy-Going Brother, "and I have been in the order a good many years."

"That is a character of information you have no right to give," said the Staunch Old Veteran, "and is nothing to be proud of, besides."

"I don't know that I am proud of it, but it just occurred to me."

"Have you never been present when a ballot was taken on an objectionable character?"

"Oh, yes, but there has always been somebody else ready to administer the medicine, and so I escaped the unpleasant task."

"We have no more right to dodge our unpleasant duties than the pleasant ones," said the Veteran. "Are you sure that by reason of your negligence a bad man has not got in occasionally?"

"Well," said the Easy-Going Brother, "I don't know that what you would call a bad one has got in, but on one or two occasions I have known them to be elected when I felt like doing as Senator Conkling said he would do if a certain objectionable nomination came before the Senate—go out and hold my nose while the ballot was being taken."

"It is very unsafe as well as cowardly and improper to leave to others tasks which we should attend to ourselves, especially unpleasant ones," said the Veteran. "I remember a very peculiar cirsumstance which happened in my lodge some years ago, when a candidate was elected, though a brother present did not wish him to be, but pursued your course of leaving it to somebody else. I sat between two brethren when the name of the candidate was read out as due for a ballot.

" 'I hope the Worshipful Master won't forget to make announcement of the Eastern Star entertainment,' said the brother on my right.

" 'That is a man who never ought to get in,' said the brother on my left.

" 'I'll see that he doesn't,' said I, in reply, of course, to the brother on my right, for I was as much interested as he, and I had paid little attention to what the brother on my left said.

"The ballot was taken and was clear.

" 'I thought you said you would blackball that fellow,' said the brother on my left in an aggrieved tone. 'I would have done it myself if you had not said you would.'

" 'If you knew of any reason why he should be blackballed it was your duty to do it,' said I. 'I know nothing about him and never said I would

blackball him, and would not have told you had I intended doing so.'

"He insisted that I had said I would blackball him and repeated the conversation, when it flashed through me how he had taken my remark to the other brother as a reply to his suggestion.

" 'You still have your remedy in an objection to conferring the degrees on him,' said I, but he would not make it and the degrees were duly conferred. The candidate has proved a good Mason; but that has nothing to do with the case. If the brother did not think so at the time of the ballot it was his duty to cast a black ball instead of hoping that some more courageous brother would do so; and so it is your duty, my brother, when an objectionable party applies for membership, instead of holding your nose, to blackball him, lest we all have to hold our noses."

CORNER STONE LAID.

Arcana Lodge No. 187, has reason to be proud over the auspicious event in its history which occurred last Wednesday.

Having erected the foundation of its new home a year ago, the Lodge has secured sufficient funds to complete the building, and having let a contract which will insure its completion by March first 1907, recently decided to lay the corner stone with all the ancient ceremonies and begin the work of construction. In accordance with an invitation from the lodge, Grand Master, Thomas Morris, called an Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge on Wednesday, Oct. 17, at 2 o'clock p. m., and proceeded to lay the corner stone. Roster of Grand Officers: Thomas Morris, Grand Master; Gustaf Widell, Deputy Grand Master; William P. Roberts, Senior Grand Warden; William C. Allen, as Junior Grand Warden; D. W. Knowlton, Grand Treasurer; Thomas Montgomery, Grand Secretary; Rev. James S. Montgomery, as Grand Orator; Rev. W. S. Ward, as Grand Chaplain, S. B. Washburn, as Senior Grand Deacon; John Suggitt, as Junior Grand Deacon; Dan. C. Brown, as Grand Marshal; F. H. Ring, as Grand Standard Bearer; W. H. J. Pearce, Grand Sword Bearer; J. H. Johnson, Senior Grand Steward; J. D. Tolman, Junior Grand Steward; Ralph D. Webb, Grand Pursuivant; T. D. Laird, Grand Tyler and Wm. White, Grand Architect. The Grand Lodge, was escorted to the corner of 25th, Ave. N. E. and Central Avenue, where the building is being erected, by Arcana Lodge and a large number of visiting brethren and by an escort of Knights Templars of Darius Commandery No. 7, W. C. Watson, Eminent Commander. The musical program was sung by the Masonic Quartet. After the ritualistic services were completed, Rev. J. S. Montgomery delivered a short address appropriate to the occasion, which was attentively listened to by a large audience of citizens, after which the lodge and grand lodge returned to the hall, where short addresses were made by the Grand Master and others. Worshipful Master Ronald and his efficient corps of officers are to be congratulated at the able maner in which all the lodge ceremonies were conducted.

The following items enclosed in a sealed box were placed in the corner stone: Constitution G. L. of Minnesota, by-laws Arcana Lodge No. 187, history of Arcana Lodge form institution to date, roster of officers and members to date, small silk flag of U. S., photograph of Theodore Roosevelt President of U. S., Minneapolis Journal Oct. 14, 1906, Minneapolis Tribune Oct. 16, 1906, North East Argus Oct. 13, 1906, Grand Lodge badge, collection of coins and Masonic emblems.

The Ladies of Arcana Chapter, O. E. S. presented Grand Master Morris a beautiful boquet of roses.

Endless chain letters are being sent abroad to raise funds for the erection of a Masonic monument on the cemetery lot of President McKinley, at Canton, Ohio. Drop them in the waste

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MINNESOTA.

Washington Chapter R. A. M., Stillwater, held a public installation Oct. 4th. District deputy grand master B. L. Blair of Waterville, visited Faribault No. 9, Oct. 1; the M. M. degree was conferred.

The citizens of Austin, are congratulating themselves on having three citizens who are prominent in Masonry: Nathan Kingsley, deputy general grand High Priest; Wm. Todd, grand High Priest, and C. L. West grand commander. Moorhead lodge presented L. W. Hyde, who is about to leave the City, with a past master's jewel. District deputy grand master Wackman of Detroit visited Frazee lodge on the 10th. Twenty members of the lodge at Canton visited Burr Oak lodge, Oct. 1, by invitation. Masons of St. Peter presented James Bennett and G. F. Merritt with past master's jewels, Oct. 4th. St. Paul lodge No. 3, conducted the funeral services of O. M. Metcalf, Oct. 12th. Henry M. Tusler, P. G. M., officiated. The lodge at Cass Lake has arranged a series of entertainments, the dates selected are: Nov. 12, Dec. 13, Jan. 11, Feb. 11, and Mar. 20.

ALBERT PIKE ANNIVERSARY.

Albert Pike Lodge No. 237, has issued an invitation to its sixth anniversary to be held Oct. 24, at 8 o'clock p. m. Music, speeches and banquet are promised. The invitation is printed on a souvenir post card containing a picture of the temple.

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Lorraine Social Club will meet Tuesday, Oct. 23, at the home of sister Thomas, 28, 12th St. No. All members of Lorraine Chapter and their friends are cordially invited to meet with us.—Corr.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., will give a dancing and card party in Commandery Hall, 6th floor Masonic Temple, Monday night, Oct. 22. The committee respectfully requests the attendance of all members and friends of the Order.

S. Walter Goulstone,
Edwin Wanous,
Herbert Kiddle,
Committee.

The thimble bee of Minnehaha Chapter will be entertained Friday afternoon, 26th at the home of Miss Bertha McWaters, 2636 Chicago Ave. The ladies are having very pleasant afternoons on these occasions and all members and their friends are cordially invited.—Cor.

Radiant Chapter, Janesville, presented a spoon to Mrs. Dow who moves to California. The Brownton Stars gave Mrs. F. L. Calkins a farewell reception; she goes to Deering, N. D. Flinch and 500 constituted the entertainment recently given its members by Orchid chapter, Staples. G. W. M., Yould visited the Stars at Jackson, Oct. 1; a delegation was present from Lakefield. Hutchinson Stars gave a supper Oct. 8. Mrs. J. R. Johnson and Mrs. Oscar Swensen, moving from Fairmont to Minneapolis, were given a farewell reception by Stars of the former place. Grand Matron Yould visited Blue Earth Oct. 2, and Waterville Oct. 16. Mrs. S. O. Francis entertained St. Paul Chapter at White Bear. The Stars of Detroit won a $400 piano in a recent mercantile contest. Roland chapter, Cass Lake, entertained Bemidji members with feasting, dancing and cards, Oct. 8.

Groton, S. D. Stars have arranged five entertainments; a lecture Oct. 22, a quartet Nov. 20, Beilharg Jan. 28, L. B. Wickersham in Feb., and Chicago Lyceum Ladies Mar. 25. Grand Matron Harris visited Mitchell, S. D., Stars Oct. 11.

Kinnickinnic is the name of the chapter at River Falls, Wis.; we remember a tobacco having same name.

Grand Chapter of Iowa will meet at Mason City, Oct. 23.

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"The Deputy Grand Master contest will again be lively", says the Masonic Sun of Toronto, Canada; and Grand Lodge does not meet until July.

Canada has adopted the word "parallelopipedon" instead of "oblong square," and "Old Stager" has registered a kick with the Masonic Sun. Just imagine some lecturer stammering over par-al-lel-o-pip-e-don.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, will have work Monday evening. The thimble bee will meet with Mary E. R. McGuire next Wednesday p. m. 3120 Stevens Ave. She has promised plenty of sewing for all who desire it.—Cor.

The Officers of Plymouth Chapter No. 19, O. E. S. will hold a reception in Masonic Hall, 304, 20th Ave. No., Friday evening, October 26th. for members and their Masonic friends. There will be a program and it is the desire of the officers that all members attend that they may become better acquainted, by spending a social hour together.—Mrs. E. S. Dooley, Sec.

GRAND CHAPTER.

At the Forty-Fifth Annual Convention of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota, held in St. Paul, October 9, 1906, the following officers were chosen and installed for the ensuing year:

Elected.

William Todd, Austin, M. E., Grand High Priest.

George A. Houghton, Minneapolis, R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest.

Jerome E. Cooley, Duluth, R. E. Grand King.

James Ridler, St. Paul, R. E. Grand Scribe.

Ralph D. Webb, Minneapolis, R. E. Grand Treasurer.

Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul, R. E. Grand Secretary.

Rev. Henry M. Green, Crookston, E. Grand Chaplin.

John T. Johnson, Fergus Falls, E. Grand Capt. of the Host.

Appointed.

Chas. M. Wilkinson, Albert Lea, Grand Principal Sojourner.

James G. Houghton, Minneapolis, Grand Royal Arch Captain.

William Strafford, Chatfield, Grand Master Third Vail.

William J. Taylor, Pipestone, Grand Master Second Vail.

William A. Hawkins, Marshall, Grand Master First Vail.

Chas. J. Kruger, St. Paul, Grand Sentinel.

Thomas Montgomery (P. G. H. P.), St. Paul, Chairman Committee on Correspondence.

Fifty-Two Chapters were represented out of sixty-three on the Roll.

The gains and losses for the year ending August 31, 1906, were as follows: Exalted, 460; joined, 79; restored, 13; withdrawn, 120; stricken from roll, 66; expelled, 2; died, 68; net gain, 298; present membership, 6,572. Receipts, $3,967.60. Expended, $3,477.38. In treasury, $7,538.07. A class of fifteen received the Order of High Priesthood.

The Forty-Sixth Annual Convocation will be held in St. Paul on the second Tuesday of October, 1907.

We are frequently asked to recommend the best Masonic books for young Masons.

ZUHRAH TEMPLE.

Zuhrah's annual entertainment is of the past but the remembrance of its pleasures will long linger with those who were so fortunate as to have participated in its pleasures. Never before have the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine so fully demonstrated their qualifications as royal entertainers. The work was in the hands of able committees who were given carte blanche and the result exceeded the anticipations of all. The weather was perfect and the Trolley Tour was a thoroughly enjoyable one. The theatre party at the Orpheum, where the program was one of the best of the season, was in every way successful, and was participated in by 1301 persons, members of the families of the Nobles, most of the latter prefering to attend the ceremonial session at the Temple where forty-four candidates provided entertainment of a rich character, and, as Ben. Boneau says, "carried their coal with them".

After the theatre and ceremonial all the guests partook of an elegant luncheon served by Noble Maas in the parlors, while Kelsey's Orchestra furnished music for those who sought the ball room.

The official Divan was constant in endeavors to promote the enjoyment of all and have been heartily congratulated for the successful entertainment of over two thousand guests.

AAD TEMPLE, DULUTH

A most interesting and important meeting of Aad Temple was held Oct. 15. It was the occasion of receiving its charter from the imperial council and of the installation of officers. J. H. Lewis of St. Paul was deputized by the imperial potentate to install the officers and deliver the charter to the new shrine. After the meeting Mr. Lewis was entertained by the members. Aad Temple was orgauized a year ago last September, and has 450 members. Following is a list of the officers that were installed last evening:

Potentate, Jesse Norton; chief rabban, J. B. Cotton; assistant rabban, W. A. Pitcher; high priest, A. A. Farrington; oriental guide, Harry Nesbit; treasurer, J. W. Lyder, Jr.; recorder, S. L. Frazer; first ceremonial master, A. P. Cook; second ceremonial master, S. O. Sterrett; marshal, L. L. Culbertson; captain of the guard, James E. Watt; outer guard, C. A. Payne; imperial master, F. W. Kugler.

A ceremonial meeting of the shrine was held Friday evening, Oct. 19.

WISCONSIN.

Plover Lodge No. 76, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary Sept. 27. O. H. P. Bigelow, the first treasurer now resides at Stevens Point, Wis., and B. L. Sharpstein the first Junior Deacon, resides at Walla Walla, Wash. Robert Macoy Com. K. T., Madison, was awarded a silk beauseant for progress and efficiency, at the recent annual conclave at Milwaukee. The forty-eighth annual conclave. K. T. was held at Milwaukee, Oct. 9th and 10th; there was no parade. The officers elected were:

Grand commander, Pitt H. Sperry, Marinette; deputy grand commander, Alvin P. Kletzsch, Milwaukee; grand generalissimo, William H. Webb, Superior; grand captain general, William P. Kenny, Milwaukee; grand senior warden, George B. Wheeler, Eau Claire; grand junior warden, John C. Fehlandt, Madison. Officers re-elected were Roman W. Bosworth, Beloit, prelate; Fred Ring, La Crosse, grand treasurer; William W. Perry, Milwaukee, grand recorder.

Appointive officers named by the grand commander were:

Grand standard bearer, E. B. Thayer, Wausau; grand sword bearer, A. E. Matheson, Janesville; grand warden, William Torrance, La Crosse; grand captain of the guard, John B. Cromwell, Milwaukee; trustee, three years, A. H. Wagner, Madison; foreign correspondent, N. C. Giffin, Fond du Lac.

The conclave passed a resolution inviting the grand encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America to meet in its triennial conclave in 1910, at Milwaukee, subject to the approval of the two local commanderies.

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Bro Alfred Le Richeux of Duluth was a caller last Thursday.

Past Master Thayer of Triune No. 190, was a caller last Wednesday.

W. H. Cobban, E. C. of Mounted Commandery is camping in the north woods.

Anchor Chapter No. 67, will confer the Royal Arch degree Monday night, 29th.

A fine K. T. charm picked up in a street car June 16, may be found by application to the Observer.

Khurum No. 112, conferred the F. C. degree on one on the 12th, and the master mason degree last Friday.

Samuel B. McGuire of No. 224, has gone to Iowa where he hopes to be able to spend the winter, health permitting.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4 will confer the Felow Craft degree Wednesday night in the newly decorated hall. Every member should be present.

John D. Day of No. 19, has just returned from a trip to Alaska; he visited Anvil Lodge No. 140, said to be the most northerly Masonic Lodge.

C. L. Sawyer, Manager of the Real Estate Board, and V. D. Jones, City ticket agent, G. N. Ry. went to N. D. last Thursday on their annual wild goose hunt.

Grand Master Tom Morris left Minneapolis Thursday to visit the lodge U. D. at Warroad, which necessitated a trip via Winnipeg, Man., to reach that place.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., at its stated meeting last Tuesday, elected two for degrees and received four petitions. The Mark Master degree will be conferred tomorrow-night, Tuesday.

Bros. F. J. N. Placek and I. T. DeSilva, Pioneer No. 22, Des Moines, Ia., were callers and looked over the temple last Thursday. Bro. Placek has a small K. T. charm which he picked up in the street.

Ark Lodge conferred the Fellow Craft degree on two last Friday night. Bro. J. G. Graves, Tyler of this lodge, who has heen unwell for some time, has gone into a sanitarium at Anoka, hoping to he benefitted.

Frank F. Short, secretary of Wayzata No. 205, was a caller last Thursday; he reports his lodge in good conditlon; the Fellow Craft was conferred last Friday and the M. M. will probably be conferred Nov. 2d. at which time it is probable that the District Deputy will make an official visit.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will confer the Fellow Craft at a special Tuesday night, 23d.; this lodge elected one for degrees and one to membership and conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on three last Tuesday.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, will confer the Master Mason degree Thursday night, 25th.; this lodge conferred the F. C. degree last Wednesday night. Grand Master Morris, Grand Senior Warden Roberts and H. S. Vogler, P. M. of Humboldt No. 132, were visitors.

Ark Chapter No. 53 will confer the Mark Master degree tonight, Monday. The Grand Lodge of California laid the corner stone of the Masonic Temple at Santa Rosa, Oct., 8; this temple was destroyed by earthquake and fire last april; the grand master was presented with a gold trowel.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, received three petitions for degrees, two for membership and elected two candidates last Wednesday; this lodge will confer the Entered Apprentice degree Wednesday night 24th.; a large attendance desired.

Minneapolis No. 19 will serve refreshments after the work Wednesday night.

SCOTTISH RITE.

Carmel lodge of Perfection, St. Paul, will confer the 14° Tuesday night, Oct. 30th.

On Thursday, Oct. 25th, the A. & A. S. R. bodies of Duluth will hold an open meeting for all Masons, "on which occasion there will be a talk on some Masonic subject covering matters of interest to the Craft in general."

On Oct. 18, the 5° and 9° were conferred; Nov. 1, 14°. A class of 25 is receiving the degrees.

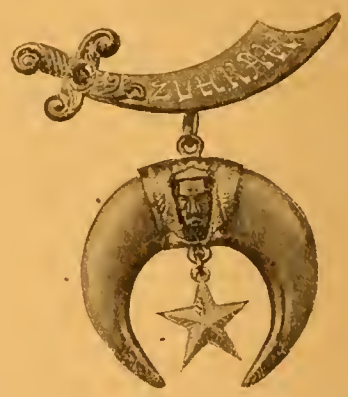
NECROLOGIC.

Zelma Foster Orchard, wife of Brother Frederick W. Orchard, of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, died on Thursday, Sept. 27, and was laid to rest on a shady knoll in beautiful Lakewood cemetery on Saturday, Sept. 29, on the 17th anniversary of the day of her wedding, an unusual coincidence, and one that added sadness to the occasion.

Mrs Orchard was an example of noble womanhood, vivacious, cheerful and hopeful, active and steadfast in right doing, and strong in intelligence, affection and friendship. Minnehaha Lodge especially and a large circle of Masonic and other friends extend sincere sympathy to Brother Orchard and all that mourn the loss of so estimable a companion.

Brother Orchard is the superintendent of the Columbia Shade Co. works, of Minneapolis. The father of Mrs. Orchard, Mr. Lawren Foster, of Minneapolis, was a comrade and bunkmate of Brother Henry Slade Goff, secretary of Minnehaha Lodge, in the Union army in 1862 and '63, and the strong friendship there formed between these comrades has continued through all the years since and extended to their families. Besides her husband and father and mother, Mrs. Orchard leaves to mourn her loss a sister, Mrs. Bertha Fulcrut, wife of Brother Samuel G. Fulcrut, of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, and a brother, Jay Foster, of Minneapolis.

During the festivities of the winter do not forget your less fortunate Brother.



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Damascus Commandery No. 1 (St. Paul.)
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SPECIAL.
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Work in M. M. degree.
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Work in F. C. degree.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Hennepin Lodge, No. 4. (Minneapolis)
Work in F. C. degree.
Minnesota Consistory, No. 1, St. Paul.
SPECIAL.
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Work in E. A. degree.
Refreshments

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Ancient Landmark 5, (St. P.) 24 W. 5th.
Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, Mas. Tem.
SPECIAL.
Cataract Lodge, No. 2. (Minneapolis.)
Work in M. M. degree.

FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
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HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"I see Bro. — is advocating less degree work and more banquets," said Fine, Portly Brother, in whose ears still resounded the music of the Master's announcement that refreshments would be served at the conclusion of the degree. "That is a doctrine with which I am heartily in accord."

"I should be sorry for the lodge which attempted to inaugurate such a program single-handed," said the Old Veteran, "for I can see it selling its stocks and bonds within the first year."

"Well, what does it want with stocks and bonds any way?"

"The income from them makes a very desirable addition to the revenues of a lodge, for one thing."

"What need is there for increased revenues? Are not the dues and degree fees sufficient for the support of any lodge in the jurisdiction?" asked the Fine, Portly Brother.

"Oh, yes," replied the Veteran; "but with a good income from other sources the dues might be decreased or even abolished."

"The logical result of which would be a rush for degrees. But there is something to risk in every unmasonic exclusiveness, in such a lodge."

"Yes, there might be such results in a measurable degree. But there is something to risk in every undertaking."

"There are no unpleasant risks attached to such government of a lodge that it simply lives within its income, keeping always on hand a reserve fund equal to one year's dues on emergencies."

"Then you would eat and drink up all in excess of the necessary expenses of the lodge?" asked the Veteran.

"I would, after being considerably more liberal in our charities than is now the practice," said the Fine, Portly Brother.

"What great Masonic object would you advance in that way?"

"A number—increasing the joys of living, which I regard as an essentially Masonic object; bringing the brethren into conditions of closer fellowship than can ever be accomplished within the formal and eminently proper precincts of the lodge room; making Masonry, by object lessons, something more than a name and a sentiment; finding out each other's social qualities and developing the latent, dormant talents of which we are now ignorant."

"Can you point to an instance in which a lodge has ever been conducted according to your ideal?" asked the Veteran.

"No," replied the Fine, Portly Brother, "but Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., comes nearer to a realization of the meaning of Masonry than any other that I know in this jurisdiction. At every communication there are refreshments, and while everything is entirely informal, with toasts and speeches and songs, which are included in my ideal, there developed a degree of good fellowship, intimate acquaintance, and pleasant intercourse that will take several years of cold-blooded degree work, formal ceremonies, and severely proper observances to eradicate. There is Masonry for you, and I wish that there was more of it."

"This way to the banquet room," said the Worshipful Master, as the brethren came filing out, and the outflow of eloquence was stopped by an inflow of oysters.

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"I suppose you have come out for a smoke?" said the Cheery Young Brother as the Old Veteran came out of the lodge room feeling in his vest pocket.

"If you can always guess like that," said the Veteran, as he produced his weed, lighted his match where Dr. Mary Walker could as readily have lighted one had she been a smoker, and proceeding to send up the curly blue smoke, "why do you not take a throw at the stock market?"

"I think smoking is an abomination," said a Wheezy Old Brother, as he struggled with his overcoat, preparatory to taking his departure, the business of the lodge being over and he having no taste to stay and see the work, "but I am glad that the governors of the lodge rooms forbid it in them. I wish they would forbid it everywhere in the building."

"I think you take an ungenerous view of the matter," said the Veteran. "Is smoking personally objectionable to you?"

"Not in the sense that it makes me sick," said Wheezy, "but it is nasty and a worthless and expensive habit."

"There are many things which one may do and enjoy doing which to another seem foolish or undesirable," said the Veteran. "I believe in the greatest liberty of enjoyment so far as we do not interfere with the rights of others."

"You would like to see the brethren sitting around in lodge smoking, I suppose," said the Wheezy Brother.

"Yes, if it does not discommode any one," said the Veteran. "Why not?"

"I should consider it almost a sacrilege," said Old Wheezy. "Why, there could not be a more disrespectful thing!"

"I think there is just as much respect in such an act as is intended and no more," said the Veteran. "If men intended it as an act of disrespect, it probably would be disrespectful; not otherwise."

"You would let men smoke in church, too, I suppose?" said Wheezy. "You would probably consider that an act of worship?"

"Well, I suppose there could be such a thing as sanctified smoke," said the Veteran, reflectively. "At least, I have often heard the expression 'holy

smoke,' and I don't know what else it could refer to."

"Oh, I expect to see smoking permitted in the lodges yet," said the Wheezy Brother. "It is only one step further than permitting it in the anteroom."

"When you do see it, my brother," said the Old Veteran," you will see better and more interested attendance at the lodge meetings, because a man is more likely to go where he can enjoy himself than where he is hedged in by antiquated regulations that serve no purpose except to produce discomfort. I have sat in a number of Masonic bodies where everybody smoked who wanted to, and nobody was a whit the worse for it. The work was none the less impressive on the candidates or the smoker, and in such bodies I have always found an interested attendance of visitors and members. It is a much cleaner habit than that of chewing tobacco, for the devotees of which special provision is made in the way of cuspidors. I am for letting every one enjoy himself in his own way, and smoking is my way, if I have to retire to the anteroom to do it."

"Every one to his taste," said Old Wheezy, as he tore off a mouthful of dog-leg and started for the elevator.

MASONRY A POWER FOR WORLD'S GOOD.

Rev. Roderick J. Mooney delivered a sermon at the Church of the Holy Apostles, Duluth, Oct. 14, on Masonry's Power for World's good.

He said vows were not new and could be traced back as far as the Old Testament. Men in those days vowed and the oath was to do for God, as in that time God and country were all men had to live for, so that when Masonry was alluded to in the present day it was nothing new dating back through the centuries as it does. The religion of a vow was not the religion of evasion, but of carrying out the spirit of the pledge.

All vows are free will vows, he said: wholly voluntary, and no person could do the things required by the vows of Masonry without the aid of God. All Masons believed in the Dicty, and the world had a right to expect much of a Mason, more than from the ordinary run of men. Masonry is an influence of the world, and no fool or atheist could join it, because a square and honest question is put to every applicant, and he has to answer it and make an oath.

The ten commandments of the Bible are a part of the Masonic doctrine, and the preacher declared that it is a mystery to him how any Mason could persistently and willfully violate the Sabbath day, for the law was, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Substantial Christian citizenship is what is needed in this country and Masonry is one of the great influences to promote that citizenship. Any man violating the ten commandments violates the very genius and spirit of the order's aim. Masonry, the pastor said, makes men have a reverence for God, for parentage, for Sunday observance, for obligations to fellow men, and it is the duty of all Masons to back every good public movement.

ALBERT PIKE'S ANNUAL.

Pursuant to custom an entertainment was given at the Temple at Hopkins Wednesday night, October 24, in commemoration of the sixth anniversary of the organization of Albert Pike Lodge No. 237, A. F. & A. M.

A neatly printed postal card invitation had been sent to members, honorary members and a few guests. Many of those who could not be present responded with letters of regret at their absence and fraternal wishes for the prosperity of the lodge. Although the night was stormy there was a large attendance and cheerfulness and good fellowship reigned.

The ceremonies were opened with a short historical address by Worshipful Master W. L. Feudner, who also acted as director of ceremonies and toastmaster during the evening, and extended a cordial greeting to all members and visitors.

HISTORICAL.

Dispensation granted, October 15th, 1900; Instituted October 24th, 1900; Charter granted, January 24th, 1901; Constituted, Feruary 6th, 1901; Ground for Temple consecrated, June 5th, 1902; Lodge Equipment damaged by fire, September 9th, 1902; Temple dedicated, October 24th, 1902; Membership, October 24th, 1900, 39, Whole number raised, 117.

Joined by dimit, 14, Restored, 1, Entire enrollment, 171.

Number withdrawn, (dimited) 11, Stricken from roll, 4, Died, 2, Total loss, 17, Present membership, 154., whose several places of residence so far as known is as follows: Hopkins, Minnetonka, St. Louis Park, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Cahill, Nicollet, Dundee, Duluth, Breckenridge and Waterville, Minn.; Detroit Harbor, Madison and Milwaukee, Wis.; Powers, Michigan; Aberdeen and Milbank, S. D.; Balfour and Mohall, N. D.; Los Angeles and San Diego, California; Seattle, Washington; Tweed, Ontario; and Santa Lucrecia, Mexico.

The assets comprise all of the Capital Stock of the West Minneapolis Masonic Temple Association, which holds the title to the Temple and grounds, with the exception of five $25.00 shares, together with the lodge equipment and $200.00 in the Treasury. Liabilities, $675.00.

The Masonic Quartet-Heath, Browning, Marshall and Forbes—then sang "O Softly", responding to an encore with "Two little Pickaninies."

Secretary Frank K. Wade then read several letters from brethren who were absent. H. M. Tusler of St. Paul, P. G. M., was then called on and responded with words of congratulation and a brief address on the symbolism of the three degrees. Next came Senior


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Grand Warden, William P. Roberts of Minneapolis, who spoke briefly of the initial proceedings in starting the lodge and addressed the members as to wise precaution in the use of the ballot, saying that it is better to keep out many good men than to admit one who would bring evil repute upon the fraternity. He was followed by Grand Secretary Thomas Montgomery who related several incidents occurring in his personal Masonic life. Brothers Roberts and Montgomery are Honorary members of this lodge. Judge Frederick V. Brown was then called for. Judge Brown said that in our American Lodges and particularly in the West, more attention was paid to the ritualistic work than to the historical part of Masonry, then gave a brief review of the origin of Masonry, and spoke of the influence which the "Morgan episode" had upon Masonry in early years of this country and its recovery therefrom.

The Quartet then sang "Jim. and I." John G. Lund then spoke briefly of the lessons taught by Masonry and its influence upon men and communities and referred to its influence in Hopkins as evidenced by the substantial character of the lodge and the business interests of the town. James D. Shearer spoke of the personality of Albert Pike, the Patron of this lodge, his characteristics, etc., and related several anecdotes, Masonic and otherwise, which placed his hearers in good humor thus preparing them for the beautiful repast which was to follow. All then repaired to the banquet room where more than an hour was spent in feasting, story telling and music, the Quartet of course supplying the latter, and Emmet Browning doing a fair share of the story telling.

OFFICERS PRESENT.

W. L. Feudner, W. M., D. K. Yorgey, J. W., Frank K. Wade, Secretary, R. C. Tosteson, S. D., Harry B. Dyer, J. D., Chas. A. Olson, S. S., J. E. Simons, J. S., P. A. Carlson, Tyler, Adolph Olson, Chaplain.

Members present: E. F. Coddington, H. M. Peterson, W. A. Anderson, F. H. Haskell, F. H. Hubbard, Ernest A. Close, Swan Johnson, C. H. Swanson, Herman Ziegler, B. B. Curtis, E. B. Ringham, Frank E. Dix, A. H. Nash, E. A. Close, Carls Johnson, J. J. Lykke, C. C. Hanson, H. D. Truman, Louis Berkowitz, James Peterson, John Empinger, J. D. Swanson, William Pratt, Harry C. Benton, H. L. Hollister, William Schussler, E. W. Jeppesen, N. M. Sorensen, Emil Anderson, William Oltman, William Hosp, Louis Lundquist, J. G. Smetana, William S. Smetana, Gus. A. Beckman, William B. Anderson, Robert Sieberlich, John Halgren.

In addition to the speakers there were several visitors who failed to register.

THE EASTERN STAR.

The thimble bee of Plymouth Chapter No. 19, will be entertained by Mrs. Maud Lohff 1310, North Fremont Av. Friday, Nov. 2 2 o'clock p. m.

Palestine Social Club will meet with Mrs. Monahan, 2549 Dupont Ave. S., 2:30 p. m., Thursday Nov. 1. All members and their friends are cordially invited.

Palestine Chapter No. 112 entertained fifty couples at cards and dancing on the evening of Oct. 22. This Chapter will give a card party at its chapter rooms Saturday afternoons Nov. 10 and 24.

The ladies of the O. E. S. of St. Charles, Minn., are said to be noted for flower gifts to invalids, hoarding their blossoms for that purpose: Mapleton Stars are not behind in this pretty custom, their favorite flower being the carnation. Mrs. Anna Lenneville of Dickinson, N. D., recently celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of her birth and the thirty-sixth anniversary of her membership in the order, by entertaining the Stars at a luncheon. Waseca, Minn., Stars recently celebrated the October birth days and wedding anniversaries of several members after work. The new Chapter at Mohall, N. D., was constituted and officers installed, Oct. 19.

MINNEAPOLIS CHAPTER NO. 9.

An unusually large attendance greeted the reassembling of No. 9 in its newly decorated place of meeting and to witness the initiation of a class of candidates. Several pleasant events are in anticipation for the near future. The first will be the annual Halloween reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Johnson 2005 Second Ave. South, Wednesday eve. Oct. 31.

Wednesday afternoon Nov. 7, will occur the next thimble bee at the home of sister Barnhart, 1913 26 St. East, take Cedar Ave. car. Bro. and sister Barnhart are new members formerly of Halcyon Chapter of Albert Lea. A large attendance is expected.

On Nov. 12 will occur the reception and banquet in honor of Ida McKinley Chapter of Hopkins. The friends will leave Hopkins on the 7:21 car. A splendid program and other interesting features are being prepared.—Cor.

MIGHT NOT BE A BAD IDEA HERE.

Alkoran Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Cleveland, has adopted the plan of holding a caucus for nominating officers. The caucus is held at the last regular prior to election; the three names receiving the highest ballots for each office are placed on a printed ballot to be used at the annual election. Some method should be devised by which out of town members could take part in the election without attending the meetings which in their case would entail considerable cost. Why might not some plan as the above be acceptable, in which case ballots having the names of the caucus nominees could be mailed to members living abroad and their preference made known by the ballot which would be returned properly marked; where there is such a large outside membership some consideration should be shown them.



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A Masonic Temple to cost $15,000 is being erected at Havelock, Neb.

Wilson Otho Bruton, Grand Master, Indian Territory, 1905, is a native born Cherokee Indian.

The Grand Lodge of Nebraska will lay the corner stone of a Masonic building at Genoa Oct. 30.

That a Lodge may by motion, refuse to receive a petition for degrees, or for affiliation, is sound Masonic law.

Scottish Rite Masons of Kansas City, Mo., held their fall convocation last week. Grand Commander Richardson was in attendance.

Frank J. Thompson, grand secretary, grand lodge of N. D., has been assigned the "job" of gathering data of Masonic Homes, putting the matter in pamphlet form and sending it to the lodges in his jurisdiction. He calls for assistance. If you know anything, or think you do, about the subject, write to him.

Scottish Rite Masons at Tacoma held their sixth annual reunion Oct. 24, 25, 26; the degrees, 4—30, were conferred.

A direct descendent of "the only woman Mason" is said to have died as the result of an accident, in Toronto recently.

The Sc ttish Rite Masons of Louisville, Ky., will celebrate Washington's birthday by entertaining the children of their brethren.

Corner stones are not always laid in the North-east corner; the corner stone of the Capitol at Washington was laid by Washington in the South-west corner.

Wisconsin Consistory, Valley of Milwaukee, will hold its eighty-seventh session for conferring degrees, beginning Monday, December 10th and continuing four days.

The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia will celebrate the 200th anniversary of the formation of the first Grand Lodge of Freemasons, Saint John the Baptist Day, June 24, 1717.

A Clandestine Mason is one who received the degrees in a lodge unlawfully existing. An Irregular Mason is one who received the degrees in an irregular manner in a lawfully constituted lodge. A Clandestine Mason has no Masonic standing, and cannot be healed.

At the recent annual conclave of the Grand Commandery, K. T., Wisconsin, a charter was granted to a commandery at Kenosha; the grand officers went to that place the same day, constituted the commandery, installed its officers and the orders were conferred the same night.

Grand Master Matthews, Alabama, having decided that a man who cannot read or write may petition for degrees, S. A. Brown, Com. on Cor. S. D., says:

"In making new disqualifications, not known to the ancient Craft, Masons ought to bear in mind that it is the heart more than the brain which Masonry cultivates. Masonry is a system of morality, not of science; illustrated by symbols, not penmanship. A Grand Lodge has a right to exclude any class of persons, and so has a Lodge, and so has a member of a Lodge; but the welfare of Masonry would seem to demand that such exclusions guard the Craft against some serious menace. An illiterate may have the spirit of Brotherhood strong within him, and if so should his friends in the Lodge desire to admit him he will do the institution good and not evil all the days of his life. He cannot undo the learning of the Craft."

The supreme council of the 33rd degree of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the Dominion of Canada held its annual meeting on Wednesday and Thursday last, in London. This is unique in the fact that this is the first time this illustrious body held its annual meeting in the west.

Representatives of leading craftsmen from New Brunswick, Quebec and other provinces were present.

The Grand Lodge of Florida having decided that "The Fraternity of Free Masons is not responsible for the actions and doings of the Shrine," S. A. Brown, Committee on Correspondence, So. Dakota, takes exceptions in the following language: "We again record our belief that the Masonic Fraternity is bonnd to suppress all scandalous conduct of Shriners, because all Shriners are Masons and subject to discipline by the Blue Lodge for behaviour tending to sully the reputation of the Craft."

MINNESOTA.

Duluth Chapter No. 59, exalted a class on the 20th., afternoon and evening; a large attendance; a New England lunch was served. Slayton Masons entertained with a smoke social, music, refreshments, etc. Wapahasa No. 14, Wabasha, will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary soon. Josephus No. 128, Mapleton, is receiving numerous applications and the prospect for much work seems good. Mt. Nebo Chapter No. 63, Willmar, gave a card party and supper to members and ladies on the 19th. Quarry Lodge No. 148, Pipestone, conducted funeral services of Robert Scarf Oct. 13. Rochester Masons conducted the funeral services of W. H. White at Farmington Oct. 14; there was an escort of Knights Templars. Aad Temple, Duluth, had a class of seventeen at its ceremonial Oct. 19.

GEMS FROM J. R. ROBERTSON.

"Masonry is an operative art and a speculative science."

"The operative art is the foundation stone on which has been built the speculative science of Freemasonry as it exists today."

"The operative Mason used his working tools in the exercise of his trade. The Speculative Mason uses the same working tools for the exemplification of great moral truths."

"It is in my opinion impossible to fix any date for the origin of speculative Masonry."

"There is nothing that connects speculative Masonry of today with the building or builders of King Solomon's Temple."

"I am satisfied that the genesis of the speculative section does not antedate the era of the building Corporations of the Middle Ages."

"Hughan says that as eary as 1600 the names of speculative members are to be found in the records of some of the operative Lodges."

"The records of the Masons Company of London from 1620-1 show conclusively that although that company had charge of the operative work, yet within its precincts and under its wing there was a speculative Lodge whose members were Accepted Masons whereas those of the Company proper, were Free Masons."

"The combination of the two prefixes, 'Free and Accepted,' was brought about toward the end of the seventeenth century, though as a matter of fact the term 'Free and Accepted Masons' is not met with in print before the Grand Lodge era of 1717."

"The gist of all that I have stated may be summed up in a few words, and that is that the operative Lodges that existed from 'time immemorial,' were the precursors of the speculative Lodges which existed prior to 1717."

"Prior to 1717 there were no Grand Lodges. The meetings of the Craft during the operative period, that is from the Middle Ages, were called Assemblies, and answered the purpose of the modern Grand Lodge. As early as the 17th century we find the term 'General Assembly.'"

The first Temple of the Mystic Shrine, Mecca, New York, was chartered Sept. 26, 1872; Aad, Duluth, Minn., the 98th was chartered Sept. 5, 1905. Ozman, St. Paul, the 22nd, is nine days older than Zuhrah, Minneapolis, the 23rd.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Anchor Chapter No. 67, will confer the Royal Arch degree Monday night, 29th.

Judge H. Danforth Dickinson, of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 is the happy father of a fine girl.

A meeting of the Masonic Library association will be held at the Library, Tuesday night, Nov. 6.

Rev. Charles F. Sharpe of Zion Commandery No. 2, has been assigned to Olivia, Minn., and has moved to that town.

Sam B. Hall, "genial Sam" of Minneapolis No. 19, arrived in the city last Friday for a few days visit; he is always welcome.

The Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Minneapolis, have decided to hold a winter reunion of four days, commencing Monday, December 3.

A meeting of the Masonic Board of Relief will be held at the office of the Secretary, Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2:30 p. m.; a full attendance is desired.

Frank H. Waskey, member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, was in the city a few days ago on the way to Washington, D. C., where he goes to represent Alaska as a delegate to congress.

Carl J. Stockdale, past master of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, has been promoted to the position of secretary to the superintendent of the Joliet and Eastern railway, and is now living in the pursuit of such labor at Joliet, Ill.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will confer the Master Mason degree tomorrow, Tuesday, night; there will be several candidates; as the work will be in the newly decorated hall something unusually fine will be expected.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, has a large class for the Fellow Craft degree which will be conferred Wednesday night, 31; this degree as conferred in No. 19 with the musical accompaniments, lectures, etc., always draws a large attendance.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, will hold a special conclave tomorrow, Tuesday night, 7:30, for work on the Order of the Temple. The order of the Red Cross was conferred on two last Tuesday. All Sir Knights will receive a cordial welcome.

A. A. Crane, Cashier of the National Bank of Commerce, a member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, was elected treasurer of the American Bankers Association, a national organization having about 8,500 members, at the recent meeting at St. Louis; there were about four thousand delegates present.

Stewart Gamble, "Umph-Umph", sitting on the top of a step ladder and declaring that he is neither a politician nor a statesman, and Tom. Voegeli in his usual before the camera pose, as president of the retail dealers association, and Rev. Marion D. Shutter denying that the Church is run in the interests of the rich, were recently depicted in the columns of a daily paper. They are all three good fellows, good Masons and popular.

The Observer is pleased to receive words of apreciation from subscribers and especially from those at a distance. The following is from O. J. H. Martin, a former resident of Minneapolis, now residing at Sumner, Wash., and Grand Master, Grand Council R. & S. M., 1897-8. "Unexpectedly and in the midst of life and duty, by action of Minneapolis Council No. 2, I am in regular receipt of the Masonic Observer, which is like unto a letter from home bringing tidings of work and general Masonic news, and I wish to express my thanks to the brethren for this great boon. We apparently prosper here—usual refreshments and excellent climate, and withal the fraternal associations and hospitality of Seattle, Tacoma, Puyallup and Sumner Brethren. We have a "U. D." lodge with 16 or 18 members from as many jurisdictions but finished material. The Masonic Observer will lay on the table for free use of the Craft. Please express my thanks to each member of the Council for the great privilege and pleasure they have given me in sending the Observer."

LAST WEEK.

Ark Chapter No. 53, R. A. M., began the week with work on the Mark Master degree Monday night, followed by Saint Johns No. 9, which conferred this degree on two Tuesday night. Minnesota Lodge No. 224, Passed one Tuesday night; it had as visitors Prof. C. W. Hall and A. L. Parsons of Cataract No. 2, C. W. Beek of No. 19, J. V. Bangous, Omadi No. 5, Dakota City Neb., A. M. Kay, Mountain View No. 16, Alberta, and C. M. Woodruff, Akron 83, Ohio; this brother did not know that there were two Grand Lodges in Ohio until informed by the Observer. Paladin Commandery No. 21, St. Paul, called a special conclave last Friday for work on the Order of the Temple; there was a good attendance and luncheon was served after the work. Damascus Commandery No. 1, St. Paul, conferred the order of the Temple, elected six and received five petitions for orders at its stated conclave last Tuesday night.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on three last Wednesday night; there was a large attendance; Maas served lunch after the work.

Hennepin Lodge conferred the second degree on one last Wednesday night; there was a good attendance for a stormy night, and considerable business was transacted.

Khurum No. 112, had a largely attended communication on the 19th.; four candidates were raised, a number of visitors were present and some good addresses made. Lunch was served by Maas.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, conferred the Master Mason degree on three last Thursday night; there was a large attendance.

THE GRAND MASTER'S FAMILY.

The above is the title of a neat pamphlet from the pen of Louis G. Levoy, P. G. M. South Dakota, which records the proceedings of an organization bearing that name. At the invitation of Past Grand Master Thomas H. Brown, the Past Grand Masters of South Dakota in attendance at the Grand Lodge, 32d. annual session, June 13, 1906, assembled at his residence in Sioux Falls, and after a substantial dinner, formed this association in honor "of our beloved Brother, Thomas H. Brown," to be maintained during his life. All past grand masters in attendance at each annual session of grand lodge are members, and the grand secretary and grand master elect are to be guests.

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Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 5 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 375.)

Minneapolis 19. (Mpls.) 1st and 3rd Wed. Mas. Tem. A. F. Pray, W. M., Geo. E. Young, Sec., 530 Temple Court (N. W. M. 2724—L) Res. 3021 Park Ave. (N. W., S. 445 J.)

Khurum 112. (Mpls.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Tem. F. Webber, W. M. D. W. Knowlton, Sec., 515 Masonic Temple. (N. W. M. 771).

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Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1676-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

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Midway 185 (St. P.) 2d and 4th Fri. Mas. Hall, 751 Snelling Ave., Hamlins; Chas. T. Pohling, W. M., St. Anthony Pk.; E. L. Allard, Sec., Hamline, (T. C. 6023; Selby 23-2. Prior 28-2.)

Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

TRIUNE 190. (Merriam Park.) 1st and 3d Tues. Geo. H. Sharp, W. M., H. O. Williams, Sec., 392 Dewey Ave.

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BROTHERHOOD.

All men are equal in their birth,
Heirs of earth and skies;
All men are equal when that earth
Fades from their dying eyes.

All wait alike on Him whose power
Upholds the life He gave;
The sage within his starlit tower,
The savage in his cave.

God meets the throngs who pay their vows
In courts their hands have made,
And hears the worshiper who bows
Beneath the plantain shade.

'Tis man alone who difference sees,
And speaks of high and low,
And worships those, and tramples these,
While the same path they go.

Oh, let man hasten to restore
To all their rights of love!
In power and wealth exult no more,
In wisdom lowly move.

Ye great! renounce your earth-born pride;
Ye low! your shame and fear;
Live, as ye worship, side by side;
Your brotherhood revere.

—Harriet Martineau.

ZEBULON IN SEARCH OF LIGHT.

The following is a Masonic parable from the book of Zahud: When King Solomon's temple had been completed and dedicated, Zebulon, one of those faithful workmen who had been found worthy to receive the Master's degree, started forth upon his travels. He journeyed eastward into a far country. In the course of time his raiment was tattered, his purse was light, his strength was failing, and his feet were sore. He sat himself down to rest by the wayside. Then Zebulon beheld a stranger approaching him and said, "Art thou a Mason?" "Yes," replied the stranger. "Behold, I show thee the twenty-four-inch gauge and the common gavel wherewith I wrought at the building of King Solomon's temple," and the stranger showed Zebulon these and passed on. Thereupon, Zebulon arose and pursued his journey; and meeting a wayfaring man, said unto him also, "Art thou a Mason?" And the wayfaring man replied, "Yes, I can prove it to thee by a sheaf of wheat and two of the pillars of King Solomon's temple." And Zebulon passed on. And he walked through a great city at midday and sat himself down upon the steps of a palace. And the prince of the city, whose palace it was, came forth, and Zebulon, rising to his feet, accosted him, saying, "Art thou a Mason?" "Even so," replied the prince, "for behold I have builded my palace after designs laid down upon the trestle-board, and the walls thereof have been raised by the square, the level and the plumb; and if it doth not so seem to thee, thou canst try them." And Zebulon arose and pursued his journey through the streets of the city. And as he passed out of the gates of the city, he beheld the judge thereof, who sat in judgment at the gate, clad in robes of snow-white ermine, and Zebulon, craving audience, said unto the judge, "Art thou a Mason?" And the judge, from his judgment-seat, replied: "Yea, verily, for here thou canst see a keystone which I have caused to be set in this grand arch, like unto one of those in the Beautiful Gate of King Solomon's temple." And Zebulon bowed his head and walked onward. And as he journeyed upon the highway, he met an army with banners, and at its head rode the captain of the host, with his officers, armed and clothed in the full pageantry of victorious war. And Zebulon saluted him and said, "Art thou a Mason?" And the captain, answering him, said, "Of a truth thou hast said it, for have I not been clothed by King Solomon himself with the lambskin, which is by far the most honorable of all decorations, when worthily worn?" And the captain and his host passed on, and left Zebulon standing by the wayside. Then, footsore, weary, cold and hungry, he pursued his lonely journey. At nightfall he approached a village and, sitting down on the steps of a cottage, he soon fell asleep. And the cottager came out and aroused him; and Zebulon opened his eyes and, seeing him, said "Art thou a Mason?" And the villager replied, "I am. Come into my house." And he raised him up and led him into the cottage; and he took off the sandals from the feet of Zebulon and washed his feet with water and anointed his head with precious ointment, and put new raiment upon him and caused him to recline upon the couch at his table. And Zebulon refreshed himself with bread, and oil, and wine. And when he was refreshed, Zebulon opened his mouth and spake unto his host and said, "The true test of a Master Mason is not in signs, nor words, nor tokens, nor symbols, nor decorations; but it is in this: Is there burning on the altar of his heart that fire which ever warms a Mason's soul —the flame of charity?"—Square and Compass.

HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"I wish that the newspapers of this city would learn to distinguish between Freemasons and their colored imitators," said the Sojourning Brother.

"What do you care as long as you can tell the difference yourself?" asked the Old Resident Brother.

"Oh, it doesn't make any difference to me now," said the Sojourning Brother, "but there was one occasion when I did."

"What was the matter?" asked the Old Resident Brother. "Were you color blind?"

"Oh, you can't guess it in a week," said the Sojourner. "So you had better let me tell you about it. When I first came to this city I read in the Evening Star that Passage into Ethiopia Lodge—I didn't know the names of any of your lodges then, so that didn't peel any bark—was going to have grand doings at its meeting that night, so when it came near the time I hiked out to find the lodge. Not knowing anything about the city, I asked a colored porter at the hotel if he knew where Passage into Ethiopia Lodge met. 'Oh, yassah; dey meets down on Hennepin Avenoo, near Bridge Squar', you'll see de lantern," and he showed me the car that would take me nearest there. I found it all right, but when I saw a negro tyler at the door it gave me a creepy feeling up the back. However, I thought maybe that was a new idea and I spoke to him.

"'Does Passage into Ethiopia Lodge meet here?' I asked.

"'Yassah,' said the tyler, grasping his sword a little tighter.

"'I would like to send my name in to the Master and ask for an examination," said I.

"'All right, sah', said he. 'But dis is a cullud lodge and white gemmen don't ingin'rally visit cullud lodges heah, sah.'

"'Oh, they don't, don't they,' said I. 'Then I won't,' and I retreated downstairs.

"Now, the addition of the word 'colored,' after the name of the lodge in the newspaper paragraph would have saved me the humiliation of trying to get into a 'coon' lodge."

"That was a little annoying," said the Old Resident Brother. "But still no particular harm was done."

"No, except that I lost the time that would have enabled me to visit a real lodge," said the Sojourning Brother.

New Brunswick permits dual membership.

BOQUETS TO THE LIVING.

The occasion having arisen recently in a Masonic body several members spoke words of praise and commendation of two brothers who were not present. This was an exhibition of the true spirit of brotherhood which underlies all such organizations but too often appears only after death has dissolved all earthly ties.

Progression in Office. In regard to this plan, now almost universal, S. Penrose Williams, G. S., G. Lodge of Rhode Island, and good authority, says: "It may be that we are able to say that this method of progression in office has not resulted in any serious harm to the Grand Lodge or the Lodges practicing it, and we may be still able to look down "the line" without a feeling of nervousness or desire for immediate change, yet after all we cannot help the feeling that we are steering towards the breakers and that it would be wise to change our course. Again, is it not to be supposed, that if merit won, and there was an opportunity through interested service to distinguish ones self, that we might expect the presence and counsel at our assemblies of some of our best men who now are but seldom seen or heard from? It frequently happens that such men have neither the time or the willingness to fill all the minor offices which now seem to be a part of the "preparatory course," but notwithstanding this, they would undoubtedly add honor and dignity to the highest office."

All of which is very true from one point of view. But there is another side to the question. We do not hold to progression strictly but we believe those to be rewarded must have a lodge acquaintance, must have earned their promotion by attendance and interest in lodge affairs. Of what value is the counsel of one who is not conversant with affairs, and what good is the lodge to gain from the honor and dignity of one who comes in to fill an exalted position and then departs to be seen no more.

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Maple Lake Stars initiated and lunched Oct. 23.

Stars at Wahpeton, N. D., gave a Halloween party.

Detroit Stars gave a Halloween party last Wednesday.

Stillwater Stars gave an afternoon card party last Thursday.

Galilee Chapter, Buffalo entertained its members Halloween night.

Stars of Glencoe gave an entertainment, music being the chief feature, Oct. 24.

A new Chapter named Coeur d' Alene, has been instituted at Wardner, Idaho.

Regular meeting of Mistletoe Court No. 1 O. of A. on Thursday Nov. 8th. Rehearsal of officers at 2:30 P. M., supper at 6:30 with work in the evening.

The aid society of Constellation Chapter, No. 18, St. Paul, will hold a sale of useful and fancy articles, also some cooked food, at Masonic Hall, Lowery Arcade, on Wednesday, Nov. 7. Light refreshments during afternoon, supper served at 6 o'clock. All friends cordially invited. Regular Chapter meeting in the evening.

St. Paul Court, No. 2, O. of A., will meet in regular session Wednesday night, Nov. 14, in Summit lodge room, cor. McKubin and Laurel. Mistletoe Court, No. 1, has accepted an invitation to do the work, and it is requested that every member of No. 2, will be present to heartily welcome our sister Court. All candidates are requested to be present at 8 p. m., sharp, also all who signed the charter petition should be present as this will be the last opportunity to come in as charter members.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, to the number of nearly a hundred enjoyed the delightful hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Johnson last Wednesday evening, the occasion being their annual Hallowee'en reception to the Chapter. The program which was wholly informal was in keeping with the Hallowe'en spirit, consisted of songs, music, bobbing for apples, etc. The delicious refreshments were also suggestive of the day.

The thimble bee for No. 9 will meet with Mrs. J. H. Barnhart 1914, 26 St. E. Cedar Ave. car.

Mrs. Abbie Eells Reed, W. M. has invitation cards out for a one o'clock luncheon at her home next Thursday in honor of her associate officers.

On Nov. 12 will occur the reception and banquet in honor of Ida McKinley Chapter of Hopkins. The friends will leave Hopkins on the 7:21 car. A splendid program and other interesting features are being prepared.—Cor.

Mrs. Ellen Putnam of Rochester, Minn., a charter member of No. 9, has been visiting in the city and was honor guest at the Hallowe'en reception of Mr. and Mrs J. H. Johnson last Wed. eve.—M. E. R. McGuire, Cor.

Mrs. Monahan proved a delightful hostess in entertaining Palestine Social Club last Thursday; assisted by several young lady friends who furnished a program which was highly pleasing, and was as follows: Miss Winnifred Thompson, accompanied by Miss Burnside on the piano, sang a beautiful solo; Miss Mabel Mason recited "As the Moon rose", and Miss Hartford recited a selection from Ben Hur. There was also an author guessing contest, the winners being Miss Hartford, 1st; Miss Thompson, 2nd; Miss Burnside 3d. Light refreshments were served. There was a fair attendance.

The Masons of Watertown, S. D., as guests of the ladies of the Eastern Star, were royally entertained at the Masonic "At Home" party given in the hall Oct. 23. There was a large attendance, about seventy being present. The occasion was an informal one and a good time for all was its chief object. A musical program of some very excellent numbers was rendered, and the ladies after the guests had made themselves hungry in fraternal sociability, served a delightful luncheon. It was one of those rare gatherings of the Masonic family when each and every one present felt the freedom and pleasure of the occasion and the hours passed all too swiftly. The ladies received the hearty congratulations of the Masons on the complete success of thier undertaking.

OREGON.

Accompanied by impressive ceremonies of the Masonic rite, the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple at West Park and Yamhill streets Portland, Oregon, was laid Oct. 20, by Grand Master W. T. Williamson in the presence of a large number of Oregon Masons. The grand commandery, K. T., acted as escort to grand lodge. The address was made by past grand master John B. Cleland, followed by remarks by grand high priest Pearce, grand commander Burnett and past grand matron Mrs. Robert Lutke.

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"Oh, you can't guess it in a week," said the Sojourner. "So you had better let me tell you about it. When I first came to this city I read in the Evening Star that Passage into Ethiopia Lodge—I didn't know the names of any of your lodges then, so that didn't peel any bark—was going to have grand doings at its meeting that night, so when it came near the time I hiked out to find the lodge. Not knowing anything about the city, I asked a colored porter at the hotel if he knew where Passage into Ethiopia Lodge met. 'Oh, yassah; dey meets down on Hennepin Avenoo, near Bridge Squar', you'll see de lantern," and he showed me the car that would take me nearest there. I found it all right, but when I saw a negro tyler at the door it gave me a creepy feeling up the back. However, I thought maybe that was a new idea and I spoke to him.

"'Does Passage into Ethiopia Lodge meet here?' I asked.

"'Yassah,' said the tyler, grasping his sword a little tighter.

"'I would like to send my name in to the Master and ask for an examination," said I.

"'All right, sah', said he. 'But dis is a cullud lodge and white gemmen don't ingiu'rally visit cullud lodges heah, sah.'

"'Oh, they don't, don't they,' said I. 'Then I won't,' and I retreated downstairs.

"Now, the addition of the word 'colored,' after the name of the lodge in the newspaper paragraph would have saved me the humiliation of trying to get into a 'coon' lodge."

"That was a little annoying," said the Old Resident Brother. "But still no particular harm was done."

"No, except that I lost the time that would have enabled me to visit a real lodge," said the Sojourning Brother.

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BOQUETS TO THE LIVING.

The occasion having arisen recently in a Masonic body several members spoke words of praise and commendation of two brothers who were not present. This was an exhibition of the true spirit of brotherhood which underlies all such organizations but too often appears only after death has dissolved all earthly ties.

Progression in Office. In regard to this plan, now almost universal, S. Penrose Williams, G. S., G. Lodge of Rhode Island, and good authority, says: "It may be that we are able to say that this method of progression in office has not resulted in any serious harm to the Grand Lodge or the Lodges practicing it, and we may be still able to look down "the line" without a feeling of nervousness or desire for immediate change, yet after all we cannot help the feeling that we are steering towards the breakers and that it would be wise to change our course. Again, is it not to be supposed, that if merit won, and there was an opportunity through interested service to distinguish ones self, that we might expect the presence and counsel at our assemblies of some of our best men who now are but seldom seen or heard from? It frequently happens that such men have neither the time or the willingness to fill all the minor offices which now seem to be a part of the "preparatory course," but notwithstanding this, they would undoubtedly add honor and dignity to the highest office."

All of which is very true from one point of view. But there is another side to the question. We do not hold to progression strictly but we believe those to be rewarded must have a lodge acquaintance, must have earned their promotion by attendance and interest in lodge affairs. Of what value is the counsel of one who is not conversant with affairs, and what good is the lodge to gain from the honor and dignity of one who comes in to fill an exalted position and then departs to be seen no more.

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THE EASTERN STAR.

Maple Lake Stars initiated and lunched Oct. 23.

Stars at Wahpeton, N. D., gave a Halloween party.

Detroit Stars gave a Halloween party last Wednesday.

Stillwater Stars gave an afternoon card party last Thursday.

Galilee Chapter, Buffalo entertained its members Halloween night.

Stars of Glencoe gave an entertainment, music being the chief feature, Oct. 24.

A new Chapter named Coeur d' Alene, has been instituted at Wardner, Idaho.

Regular meeting of Mistletoe Court No. 1 O. of A. on Thursday Nov. 8th. Rehearsal of officers at 2:30 P. M., supper at 6:30 with work in the evening.

The aid society of Constellation Chapter, No. 18, St. Paul, will hold a sale of useful and fancy articles, also some cooked food, at Masonic Hall, Lowery Arcade, on Wednesday, Nov. 7. Light refreshments during afternoon, supper served at 6 o'clock. All friends cordially invited. Regular Chapter meeting in the evening.

St. Paul Court, No. 2, O. of A., will meet in regular session Wednesday night, Nov. 14, in Summit lodge room, cor. McKubin and Laurel. Mistletoe Court, No. 1, has accepted an invitation to do the work, and it is requested that every member of No. 2, will be present to heartily welcome our sister Court. All candidates are requested to be present at 8 p. m., sharp, also all who signed the charter petition should be present as this will be the last opportunity to come in as charter members.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, to the number of nearly a hundred enjoyed the delightful hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Johnson last Wednesday evening, the occasion being their annual Hallowee'en reception to the Chapter. The program which was wholly informal was in keeping with the Hallowe'en spirit, consisted of songs, music, bobbing for apples, etc. The delicious refreshments were also suggestive of the day.

The thimble bee for No. 9 will meet with Mrs. J. H. Barnhart 1914, 26 St. E. Cedar Ave. car.

Mrs. Abbie Eells Reed, W. M. has invitation cards out for a one o'clock luncheon at her home next Thursday in honor of her associate officers.

On Nov. 12 will occur the reception and banquet in honor of Ida McKinley Chapter of Hopkins. The friends will leave Hopkins on the 7:21 car. A splendid program and other interesting features are being prepared.—Cor.

Mrs. Ellen Putnam of Rochester, Minn., a charter member of No. 9, has been visiting in the city and was honor guest at the Hallowe'en reception of Mr. and Mrs J. H. Johnson last Wed. eve.—M. E. R. McGuire, Cor.

Mrs. Monahan proved a delightful hostess in entertaining Palestine Social Club last Thursday; assisted by several young lady friends who furnished a program which was highly pleasing, and was as follows: Miss Winnifred Thompson, accompanied by Miss Burnside on the piano, sang a beautiful solo; Miss Mabel Mason recited "As the Moon rose", and Miss Hartford recited a selection from Ben Hur. There was also an author guessing contest, the winners being Miss Hartford, 1st; Miss Thompson, 2nd; Miss Burnside 3d. Light refreshments were served. There was a fair attendance.

The Masons of Watertown, S. D., as guests of the ladies of the Eastern Star, were royally entertained at the Masonic "At Home" party given in the hall Oct. 23. There was a large attendance, about seventy being present. The occasion was an informal one and a good time for all was its chief object. A musical program of some very excellent numbers was rendered, and the ladies after the guests had made themselves hungry in fraternal sociability, served a delightful luncheon. It was one of those rare gatherings of the Masonic family when each and every one present felt the freedom and pleasure of the occasion and the hours passed all too swiftly. The ladies received the hearty congratulations of the Masons on the complete success of thier undertaking.

OREGON.

Accompanied by impressive ceremonies of the Masonic rite, the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple at West Park and Yamhill streets Portland, Oregon, was laid Oct. 20, by Grand Master W. T. Williamson in the presence of a large number of Oregon Masons. The grand commandery, K. T., acted as escort to grand lodge. The address was made by past grand master John B. Cleland, followed by remarks by grand high priest Pearce, grand commander Burnett and past grand matron Mrs. Robert Lutke.

The cornerstone of the new temple hears the following inscriptions: on the West Park-street side:

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Stillwater Lodge, No. 62, Columbus, Mont., was constituted Oct. 20.

A class of 25 received the degrees, 4-30, at Tacoma, Wash., Oct.. 24-26.

Lodges in the Argentine Republic transact all business in the E. A. degree.

Scottish Rite Masons of Davenport, Iowa, finished a very satisfactory reunion Oct. 26.

Dodge County Lodge, No. 72, Beaver Dam, Wis., celebrated its semi-centennial last Wednesday.

Masonry took the initiatory steps to abolish corporal punishment of school children in Porto Rico.

In Tennessee a petition may be withdrawn by unanimous consent even after the committee has reported.

An ancient custom of Masonry was to have a physical examiner; it would do no harm to restore it.

Ponemah ("Hereafter") Lodge, No. 36, Plains, Mont., was constituted by Grand Master McDonald, Oct. 24.

If you hear evil reports of a Brother be not too ready to believe it; stand by him until you learn it is true.

The Grand Commandery, K. T. Illinois, Celebrated the semi-centennial anniversary of its organization, Oct. 23.

Henry M. Parchen, Helena, Mont., has just been elected treasurer of the Grand Lodge for the thirty-sixth time.

Townsend Scudder, Grand Master, New York, is the only person who can read his own signature after the ink is dry.

The M. M. degree was conferred upon its five hundredth member by Lafayette Lodge, No. 265, Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 23.

The Masonic Monthly, "established to study and preserve the History of Free-Masonry," is a New Masonic paper edited by W. J. Allen, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Liberty Lodge, No. 49, Enderlin, N. D., recently entertained members of Sheldon and Lisbon lodges with work, music and refreshments.

The colored glass windows and doors to replace those broken during construction, have been placed and the Masonic Temple at Sioux Falls, S. D., can now be said to be complete.

The corner stone of the Main building of the Nebraska Normal College was laid at Wayne, Oct. 22, by the Grand Lodge. Grand Lodge was entertained at six o'clock dinner by President Pile.

In New Hampshire life members having refused to pay an assessment to meet the increased tax laid by Grand Lodge, the committee on jurisprudence reported that an assessment lies against all members of a lodge.

Grand Secretary Speed of Mississippi says that the visible presence of the Charter in the Lodge is as essential as the Holy Bible, Square and Compasses, for the purpose of lawfully opening and proceeding to business.

It is those only who learn habitually to think better of each other, to look habitually for the good that is in each other, and expect, allow for, and overlook the evil, who can be Brethren one of the other, in any true sense of the word.

The President of the republic of Hayti is generally the Protector of Masonry and when he goes to or from the Grand Lodge while in session salutes of 21 guns are fired. There are forty-one lodges with more than one thousand members.

Nevada requires members who have been suspended for N. P. D. to pay dues for the time he is suspended before restoring him. It is not considered as pay for privileges denied him, but for privileges he did not then want but now does. It seems just.

The committee on parade and drill at the 30th, thiennial conclave, Saratoga Springs, July 10, 1907, has issued printed rules governing the competition. Drilling will be judged on a basis of ten points each for perfection in the following: appearance, alignment, manual, facings, marching, flank movements, oblique movements, fancy movements, emblematical movements, wheelings.

Benedict Arnold was raised in Hiram Lodge, No. 1, New Haven, Conn., April 10, 1765, Aaron Burr being the Master at that time. May 16, 1781, it was "Ordained, That the Name of Benedict Arnold be considered as obliterated from the minutes of this Lodge a Traitor." His name was accordingly obliterated with pen marks.—W. J. Allen.

J. H. C. Dill, at the age of 70, has retired from the office of Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Illinois, and Isaac Cutter of Camp Point has been appointed to the vacancy.

"Shriners go to Sing Sing," is the heading of an article in the Masonic Standard, N. Y., but it appears that most of them got away the same day.

A new Masonic Lodge was instituted at Vegreville, Oct. 4th; twelve months ago the site of this town was bare prairie; the lodge will meet on the first Monday of each month.

MINNESOTA.

Sauk Center Council, No. 11, R & S. M., was constituted and its officers installed last Saturday. Past Grand Master Chas. S. Schurman was the constituting and installing officer.

Western Star lodge No. 26, Albert Lea, A. F. & A. M., has accepted an invitation to visit the Mason City Iowa lodge in the near future.

Mt. Tabor Lodge, No. 106, Detroit, will confer the F. C. degree at a special Tuesday night.

The Masons of Rochester have decided to make some expensive improvements in the hall in the shape of a new carpet and furniture, besides placing storm windows on the hall. The cost of the improvement will be several hundred dollars.

MAKING MASTERS IN LODGES.

From minutes of the Grand Lodge of England (modern), November 27, 1725: "A motion being made that such part of the 13th Article of the General Regulations relating to the making of Masters only at a Quarterly Communication, may be repealed, and that the Master of each lodge, with the consent of his wardens, and the majority of the brethren being Masters, may make Masters at their discretion. Agreed."—The Masonic Monthly.

Bro. S. A. Brown, South Dakota, says: "We have been credibly informed that in Scotland there are Lodges which, when a man is about to leave the country, will for three guineas, not only confer the three degrees of Masonry upon him, but will make him a life member in good standing, so that he shall never thereafter be required to pay a cent." As a member of the Masonic Board of Relief, we frequently meet such cases, the applicant for relief producing such certificate as an evidence of his good standing in a Masonic Lodge. We have had three applicants recently who have produced life certificates from Scotch Lodges; all wanting transportation to other towns.

"The Masonic Admonition, 'If you can say no good of a Brother, you can at least keep silent', should ever be remembered and practiced. Masonry has a great past. It has a glorious present. It will have a great future, which can be made greater by a more careful study of and attention to the sublime precepts taught in the Masonic Lodge room. Let brotherly love continue, and may peace be within our lodges and prosper within our houses."

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Khurum, No. 112, conferred the E. A. degree last Friday.

Dont neglect the stated communications they are of great importance.

As we go to press it looks as if this would be a quiet week for Masonic work.

Gen. H. A. Humphrey of Cataract, No. 2, who has been seriously sick is much improved.

A meeting of the Masonic Library association will be held at the Library, Tuesday night, Nov. 6.

Geo. O. Brown, of the Minnesota Quartet, is wearing an ankle in a plaster cast as the result of a sprain.

We are indebted to Bro. Fremont Crane, of Stevenson, Wash. a member of No. 19, for important Masonic Items.

Chas. E. Braden, S. D. of No. 19, made a flying trip to Chicago, New York and Philadelphia, returning last Monday.

The Masonic Quartet sang for the state convention of the Butter Makers last week; their voices will be smoother hereafter.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23, Waller N. Cobban, E. C., conferred the Order of the Temple on two, Tuesday night.

The Minnesota Quartet sang the musical program. The banquet room not being available, apples and cigars were served as refreshments.

Zion Commandery, No. 2, will open the social season with a dancing and card party Thursday, Nov. 14, make your arrangements accordingly.

Judge Frederick V. Brown has been appointed a member of the American Bar committee to draft that associations code of professional ethics.

A meeting of the Masonic Board of Relief will be held at the office of the Secretary, Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2:30 p. m.; a full attendance is desired.

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, will confer the Master Mason degree, Wednesday night, 14th.; the members having notice are expected to be present.

Minnesota Lodge, No. 224, E. C. Foster, W. M., called a special for Tuesday night and raised three to the sublime degree. The members turned out

Anchor Chapter, No. 67, John Suggitt, H. P., began the week by exalting three Monday night; there was a fair attendance of members and an equal number of visitors.

A. M. Kay, member of committee on foreign relations, grand lodge of Alberta, who has been sojourning here for several months, is about to return to his home at Olds, Alberta.

Mrs. John W. Currie was taken to the N. W. Hospital last week, suffering from an attack of incipient Typhoid. Bro Cnrrie is a member of No. 19 and other Masonic bodies.

Elling H. Comstock, formerly of Houghton, Mich., now connected with the U. of M., and residing at 1530 Como Ave. S. E., is a member of Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery and A. A. O. N. M. S.

Zuhrah Temple Patrol has organized under the above name and having same board of governors and officers except that the Potentate of Zuhrah Temple is made a member of the board. Regular drills will occur Monday nights.

"Thirty Three" is the name of a Masonic monthly published at Lansing, Mich., in the interest of Lansing Lodge, No. 33. Its September issue notes the return of Lewis M. Miller, W. M. of No. "66", whom many of our readers will remember as a frequent and welcome visitor to Minneapolis lodges during the past summer.

well and there were a number of visitors, among whom our reporter met: F. R. Wilson and F. E. Blodgett, No. 2, Geo. Rothenberger and W. A. Martin, No. 4, W. A. Rowell, No. 176, C. E. Kreis, No. 160, F. A. Thompson, No. 7, J. H. Ludwig, No. 190, and C. H. Greene, No. 263, Minnesota, J. B. Freye, 290, Wis., R. J. Joslin, No. 369, and W. H. Corbett, No. 396, Mich., L. J. Blair, No. 62, Iowa, A. K. Kuchner, No. 3, Montana, and I. B. Record, No. 25, S. D.

Emmett Browning placidly accepts the charge that the map of Ireland is spread upon his countenance, but he resents a recent allusion made by a man in a small Minnesota town. When Emmett is not singing "O promise me," he is selling hose(?) while endeavoring to place an order recently with a village Council, he was asked if the prices quoted were his lowest; he replied, "I have but one price. I'm no Jew." One of the fathers, speaking for the first time said, "Then your countenance deceives you."

Minneapolis Lodge, No. 19, A. M. Chesher in the East, C. E. Braden in the West and A. E. Clarendon in the South, passed two last Wednesday night. The Masonic Quartet sang the musical numbers and S. C. Gilbert was Organist. A fine boquet adorned the Master's pedestal. There was a fair attendance of members, among them being Past Master L. A. Condit.

We noted the following visitors: Past Master Washburn, 112, G. A. Welch, 176, G. M. Dempsie, 224, Minnesota; Joseph Gregory, 12, J. N. Placek, 22, Iowa; F. D. Rockefeller, 124, New York.

LAST WEEK.

Khurum Lodge No. 112, conducted the funeral service of William H. Davis from the Lodge room last Monday afternoon, S. B. Washburn, P. M. officiating. Bro. Davis joined Khurum Lodge Feb. 28, 1885, from Canton, Ohio. He was formerly a member of the firm of Hashow, Marsh & Davis, a son, Hartley Davis, a Magazine writer of note residing in New York, was in attendance. Burial was in the family lot at Lakewood.

DULUTH.

North Star Lodge of Perfection conferred the 14° on a class of 25, Nov. 1, The Scottish Rite Bodies had an open meeting for Masons only, Oct. 25, which was attended by 250; the entertainment consisted of a Lecture on Masonry, with music and addresses.

Palestine Lodge, No. 79, ended the year with a class of five for the M. M. degree, making a net gain of 60.

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SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

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STATED.

Carmel Lodge of Perfection No. 1 (St. P.)
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Arcana Chapter 38, O. E. S., Mpls.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Master Mason Degree.
Albert Pike Lodge No. 237.
Constellation Chap. 18, O. E. S., St. Paul.

THURSDAY EVENING
STATED.

Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 5 (St. P.)
St. Vincent de Paul Chapter Rose Croix.
Mistletoe Court O. of A., Mas. Temple.,

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THE MASON'S BADGE.

"There's mony a badge that's uneo braw,
W' ribbons, lace and tape on:
Let Kings and Princes wear them a.'
Gie me the Master's apron,
The honest Craftsman's apron,
The jolly Freemason's apron,
Bide he at hame, or roam afar,
Before his touch fa's bolt an' bar,
The gates of fortune fly ajar,
'Gin he wears the apron.
For w'alth and honour, pride and power,
Are crumbling stanes to base on:
Fraternity sh'u'd rule the hour,
And ilka worthy Mason.
Each free accepted Mason.
Each ancient erafted Mason.
Then, brithers, let a halesome sang
Arise your friendly ranks alang.
Guidwives and bairnies blithely sing,
Ti' the ancient badge wi' the apron string
That is worn by the Master Mason."

—Robert Burns.

TASMANIA.

We are in receipt of the proceedings of the half-year communication of Grand Lodge, held Aug. 31. Representatives were present from ten lodges; about one-third of the lodges. A plan has been adopted for election of Grand Offieers by ballot so that absentees may vote; Grand Master warns brethren against allowing this to result in members absenting themselves from the annual communications. Grand Master hopes that some happy solution of the Queensland difficulty may be brought about, but expresses no opinion. The following quotation from Grand Master's address is applicable to Masonry in this country:

I have frequently pointed out that Masonry is a luxury, and let me once again urge upon Brethren introducing new members into the Order to bear in mind that we are not a Benefit Society, though we have the reputation of being the greatest philanthropical institution the world has known. It seems necessary that I should direct attention to this subject as a warning note to Brethren, because it has been demonstrated to me that in the past too many members have been admitted to the Order, who, while very reputable citizens, were not financially in a position to meet the responsibilities which fell upon them in connection with fees and other matters, and consequently have long since fallen out of our ranks. It is with regret that we find from experience that this want of foresight is leading to unreasonable demands being made upon our Funds. The result is that our finances are beginning to feel the strain of calls made on them by Brethren who would have been much more advantaged had they in the first place been asked to join a Benefit Society. I yield to none in an honest desire to assist anyone in distress, nor do I wish for one moment to discourage the Brethren from fully carrying out the principles of philanthropy, which they can and also do as citizens. As Masons, however, we must remember that we are in a postition of trustees to a Fund which is provided to assist those of our Bretren who, from unavoidable circumstances, are subjects of misfortune. Trouble and sickness will always come throughout life, no matter how fortunate or strong a man may be, and though as individuals we should try to help one another, there is no reason why our Institution should be subject to repeated claims from those who have for ten or twenty years ceased to take interest in the Order.

C. W. Stiles is accredited as the representative near our grand lodge.

ORIGIN OF O. E. S.

John W. Brown having heretofore believed that John Sheville invented the degrees, now coneedes the honors to Robert Morris, basing his new faith on the following quotation from an address delivered by Morris in San Franeisco in April 1876.

"This coneeption of Freemasonry led me to originate the Eastern Star. The degrees common at that time were unworthy of our Order. The system praeticed in France cannot be modified to suit Ameriean ladies. I sat down to the work of originating an entirely new system, actuated by the belief that it would fill a place. Drawing to my aid the Holy Scriptures—a wealth of noble examples of women as well as men—I began in the winter of 1849 to prepare the rituals.

"First.—I sought for a female eharaeter, willing to place her life in the seale of honor, and found it in the history of Jephtha's Daughter.

"Second.—I sought for a female eharacter, willing to forsake all earthly attachments for the love of God, and found it in the history of Ruth.

"Third.—I sought for a female character high in rank and position, willing to surrender them for the dear love she bore her nation, and found it in the history of Esther.

"Fourth.—I sought for a female eharaeter, whose Christian faith was so strong and fervent that the most untoward event could not shake it, and found it in the history of Martha.

"Lastly.—I sought for a female character, willing to surrender all life's allurements and even life itself for the great love she bore to Jesus, and found it in one of the old legends of Holy Land in the history of Electa.

"Having thus set up my five Queens of Female Fame, the rest was easy. The emblems, the colors, the regalia, the lectures the esoteric work, the odes and poems being composed and

settled upon; the American Adoptive system was complete. The Eastern Star ascended the Masonic sky, shedding abroad a lustre far greater than its author ever anticipated.

"Nothing that I ever attempted for Masonry has given me so much pleasure as the origination of this degree. It was from the outset a labor of love. I have never made any pecuniary profit from it. The time, the research were given cheerfully under the belief that good would result from it."

GRAND LODGES STAND TOGETHER.

Some years ago the Grand Lodge of Hamburg invaded the jurisdiction of New York and immediately all the Grand Lodges in the U. S. severed relations with the foreign body.

Recently the G. L. of Hamburg complained to the Grand Master of Illinois that a member of one of the constituent lodges of the foreign body had been refused admission to a lodge in Illinois "notwithstanding the fact that he had presented a valid certificate that he was a brother of the third degree;" to which Grand Master Allen caused the following reply to sent:

"First. That Lodges in Illinois are not permitted to admit as visitors those whose claim to the Masonic character rests on documentary evidence alone.

Second. That neither the Grand Master nor the Grand Lodge has the power in this jurisdiction to compel a lodge to admit a visitor who is not PERSONA GRATA to all the members, no matter how thoroughly his Masonic status has been established, the rule being that the objection of a single member will exclude him and that such objection cannot be overruled.

Third. That however willing all the members of an Illinois lodge might be personally to admit as a visitor a member of a lodge belonging to the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, they could not do so under existing conditions. It can have hardly escaped the attention of the memory of your Grand Lodge that when the Grand Lodge of New York had occasion to protest against the invasion of its otherwise universally recognized jurisdiction by the planting within its territory of a daughter lodge by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, the Grand Lodge of Illinois, in common with all other Grand Lodges in the United States of America, interdicted all Masonic intercourse between Illinois Lodges and Masons and the lodges and individual Masons of the obedience of the Grand Lodge of Hamburg. That edict is still in full force, and so tenacious of the absolute exclusiveness of their jurisdictional rights within their own boundaries, are the Grand Lodges of this continent, that there seems to Grand Master Allen not even a remote possibility that the interdict will be lifted so long as the lodges whose establishment evoked it, are maintained by your authority.

The Grand Master therefore most earnestly hopes that The Grand Lodge of Hamburg may see its way clear to take the initiative in rendering, so far as Grand Lodge action may do, the reccurence of the events complained of by you, improbable if not impossible. [Note.—It has recently been rumored in the Masonic Press that the objectionable charter has been recalled.—Ed.]

MONTANA.

Arrangements are being made for the construction of a Masonic Temple in Billings which will cost something like $85,000. A site has been purchased at a cost of $16,000, and a committee has bene appointed for the purpose of negotiating with architects. In Red Lodge, a temple, the foundation of which was laid a year ago, is to be constructed by Masons of that place, and will cost $35,000.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Grand Lecturer, B. F. Ives, has been paying official visits to the Black Hills Lodges

Press reports say that Aberdeen Masons are to erect a new Temple of brick with stone trimmings. The corner stone of the "Benevolent Hall" was laid by representatives of the Grand Lodge, at Sturgis on the 9th. The editor of this paper laid the corner stone of the court house at Sturgis in June, 1894.

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THE EASTERN STAR.

Ladies should call and inspect Mrs. A. L. Vrooman's latest importations, at 7 South Sixth street.

Palestine Chapter O. E. S., and friends, will be entertained at cards on Tuesday evening, Nov. 13th, at the home of the secretary, Mary C. Taylor, 1317, 4th Ave. S.

Lorraine social club will meet at the home of Mrs. T. H. Schonebaum, 33, 23d Ave. N. E., Tuesday. All members of Lorraine Chapter and their friends will be cordially received.—Cor.

Miss Florence M. Ridgway, a member of Lorraine Chapter, O. E. S., and daughter of Dr. Joseph Ridgway, has recently graduated from the Hamline Medical college and has opened an office in the Masonic Temple.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, will have a social Friday night, 16th., in the nature of a measuring party; there will be an additional program and refreshments. All members of the order and their friends will receive a hearty welcome.

A jolly crowd was found by our reporter who accepted an invitation to a six o'clock dinner with Mistletoe Court No. 1, O. of A. last Thursday. The dinner was good and the fact that all the girls wore white hair and the gentlemen none did not detract from the pleasure.

Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, O. E. S. will have a past matron's evening on Friday, Nov. 16. There will be work, a short program and refreshments. The hour for opening is 7:30. The especially invited guests of the evening are the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Past Grand Matron Mrs. Thomas, and Mistletoe Chapter of St. Paul. A good time is anticipated and all members of the Order will be cordially welcomed.

Lorraine Chapter No. 16, O. E. S. met last Monday evening in their beautiful and newly decorated chapter-room of which they are very proud. A large number of visitors and members of the chapter being present. A class of candidates was initiated and a deligthfully social time was enjoyed by all; remarks were made by P. G. P. of Connecticut Brother Gale, P. G. P. of North Dakota, Brother Freeman, and past and present grand officers of Minnesota. Light refreshments were served to about 125 members.

Lorraine is always pleased to welcome her visiting sisters and brothers. —Mary E. Tuttle, Cor.

MINNEAPOLIS CHAPTER NO. 9.

Thursday afternoon occurred one of those delightful affairs which caused its participants to say "Oh it is good to be here," when Worthy Matron Abbie Eells Reed, escorted her entire corps of officers to Dayton's tea rooms for a one o'clock luncheon. Twenty-two gathered about the artistically decorated tables, the center piece of which was a mound of bright red shining apples, surrounded by ropes of trailing smilax, the green tracery of which extended the entire length of the long table. Red shaded tapers lent a harmonizing effect to the general color scheme.

Red apples were also shown on the pretty place cards and bright carnations given as favors. Scooped out apple cups were used in the various forms of serving during the seven courses. After spending two hours discussing this delicious menu the guests, all happy and enthusiastic, returned once more to the worthy matron's home where the remainder of the afternoon was delightfully spent in social intercourse.

Incidentally this proved to be a celebration of the wedding anniversary of Mr. and, Mrs. Reed.

If kindnesses shown to others bring compound interest on the rebound, then surely the Worthy Matron of No. 9, will find herself greatly enriched by the showers of blessings and good will which she so richly deserves.

On Monday evening the reception and banquet for Ida McKinley Chapter will be an event of interest to all members of No. 9. Let them have a royal greeting by a full attendance of the members.

Mrs. Lucy Armstrong 1330 Penn Av. No., will entertain the thimble bee Nov. 21. Take Plymouth Ave. car.—M. E. R. McGuire, Cor.

On last Wednesday evening a large number of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star of Minneapolis visited Excelsior Chapter No. 20, of Excelsior, Minnesota.

Lorraine No. 16, Palestine No. 112, Plymouth No. 19, and Harmony No. 8, were well represented. Excelsior Chapter invited a corps of officers from the city to exemplify the opening of the Chapter and also the degree work. Two candidates were initiated; the officers were as follows: Worthy Matron, Sarah Latz; Worthy Patron, William Willing; Asso. Matron, Mary Walker; Secretary, Cora P. McCutchins; Treasurer, Mary E. Tuttle; Conductress, Dolly Taylor; Asso. Conductress, Kate Willing; Adah, Ethel Canterbury; Ruth, Lizzie Canterbury; Esther, Louise Smith; Electa, Mary C. Taylor; Chaplain, Elizabeth Thomas; Warder, Emma Dooley; Organist, Bell McConnel; Sentinel, J. M. McConnel. The members of Excelsior were loud in their praises and appreciated very highly the work done by the City members. It was certainly well done; remarks were made by P. G. M. Elizabeth Thomas, Grand Sec. and P. G. M., Mary C. Taylor and other members of the order.

After a social time was enjoyed by all present the visiting members were invited to the dining room to partake of a chicken pie supper which had been prepared by the Excelsior members. Sisters and brothers one and all! never miss at any time an invitation to visit Excelsior chapter they certainly make you feel at home and give you a hearty welcome.—Mary E. Tuttle, Cor.



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The Grand Master of Illinois recently decided that the use of a steropticon or other similar methods of illustrating the historical account in the lectures, with the exception of the "Marble Monument" is prohibited.

Also that the use of "loose leaf" books for keeping the records of the lodge was inconsistent with the requirements and that its use is necessarily prohibited.

In this jurisdiction we find it of great advantage to use both.

We have heard several petitions for degrees read recently in which the applicant's occupation was given as "Agent" or "Salesman." We are of the opinion that this does not sufficiently describe an occupation; if petitioner is an agent for an insurance company it would be well to say Solicitor for life (or other) insurance, naming the company; if a salesman state of what and for whom.

It is more Masonic to pay your Dues and take a demit than to allow them to accumulate until you are stricken from the roll. If you are unable to pay at present ask the secretary to have the time extended. Don't be a malingerer.

The report of grand recorder Rowell, grand commandery of Rhode Island shows a membership of 15,469, a gain of 468.

Dual membership is permitted by the grand lodges of Virginia and Massachusetts.

The Masonic Sun, Toronto, publishes the name of a secretary who missappropriated lodge funds; we believe that this is a mistake.

The Observer will be pleased to hear from absent members; through our columns you can reach all members of your lodge.

The Illinois Masonic Home at Sullivan had 49 inmates Aug. 31, an increase over previous year of 16.

The Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home at Chicago had 66 inmates, Sept. 30, 1906.

AMONG THE WORKERS.

Winnebago City Masons will move into a new and more commodious hall.

Appleton Lodge No. 137, has moved into its new hall; the first degree was conferred Nov. 1, and the third Nov. 3.

St. Peter Masons are having their lodge rooms re-painted and decorated and will put down new rugs.

Extensive alterations are being made in Masonic hall at New Ulm; it will be equipped with new furnishings.

Liberty Lodge, Enderlin, N. D., conferred the M. M. degree on five in the presence of invited guests from Sheldon and Lisbon. Refreshments were served after which there was an entertainment participated in by gentlemen and ladies.

Grand Forks, N. D., Masons entertained their brethren and friends at a dancing party which was largely attended.

The Masons of Madison, S. D., were entertained by their "Daughters" at a ball given last Friday night; the proceeds were contributed to the Masonic building fund.

William H. Holt, a well known Mason of Sioux Falls, S. D., has presented his valuable collection consisting of Masonic books, curios etc., the accumulation of many years, to the grand lodge library at Sioux Falls.

Officers and members of Eau Claire Lodge No. 115, to the number of fifty were entertained by their brethren of Chippewa Falls, Oct. 31.

The following Wisconsin Lodges have recently or soon will celebrate their fiftieth anniversaries, all having received either dispensations or charters from the grand lodge at the session of June 12, 1856; Richland Center, 66; Fox Lake, 67; Palmyra, 68; Edgerton, 69; Muscoda, 70; Quincy, 71; Dodge County, 72; Kegonsa, 73; Black River Falls, 74; Columbus, 75; Clover, 76; Elkhorn, 77 and Delton, 78.

Wisconsin Consistory will hold its annual sesion at Milwaukee Dec. 10 to 13, inclusive, at which the degrees 4 to 32 will be conferred; and the customary banquet will be given in the evening of the 13th.

SCOTTISH RITE AT WINONA.

Secretary Hillmer has issued a very neat program for the Autumn Convocation. An "In Memoriam" page is dedicated to Walter Weisenborn Sell, 32°, who died April 17.

November 21, morning 10:30, afternoon, 1:00, evening, 7:30, 4th., 5th., 9th., 10th., and 14th. degrees; supper in the banquet hall at 6:15.

November 22, afternoon, 4:00, evening, 7:30; 17th. and 18th. degrees.

November 23, afternoon 2:00, evening 7:30, 21st., 25th., 30th. degrees.

November 24, afternoon 3:00, evening 7:30, 31st. and 32d degrees; dinner in banquet hall at 6:15.

The ceremonial music will be rendered by The Masonic and a mixed quartet. The bodies meet regularly on the first Friday of each month, at 7:30, except during the months of June, July and August.

SCOTTISH RITE AT TOPEKA.

We are indebted to Bro. H. M. Washburn of Topeka, Kansas, who was recently a visitor here and who was a frequent and welcome visitor to the Observer, for a copy of the "Orient Of Kansas," a semi-annual publication of the Topeka A. & A. S. R. bodies. These bodies held their Fall reunion October 25, 26 and 27; they were honored by a visit from the grand commander and a number of other dignitaries. The temple has been remodeled during the summer and a modern stage, scenery and apparatus added at an expense exceeding $21,000.

KNIGHTS TEMPLARS.

Past Commanders L. F. Foote and H. F. Faukhauser and Sir Knight J. F. Ells, the committee on arrangements, have decided upon a series of dancing parties for Zion Commandery No. 2, to which all Knights Templars in good standing, and their ladies will be cordially welcomed. It will be necessary for others than members of Zion to procure invitations; these will be issued by the committee upon application from members of Zion.

Kelsey's orchestra has been procured by the committee on music so that good dancing music is assured.

These parties are the social feature of Zion and the Emminent Commander, Henry Hahn, hopes that as many of the members as can possibly do so will attend them. Admission 50 cents per couple, additional ladies 25 cents each.

Following are the dates: Thursday, November 15.

Thursday, December 13.
Thursday, January 10.
Thursday, February 7.
Thursday, March 7.

MASONIC HOME.

The committee on By-Laws having completed its work the directors met last week and adopted the report.

The Board now hopes for the cooperation of the lodges and to the end that something may be accomplished before the Grand Annual Communication it has been suggested that the Minneapolis lodges hold a joint meeting at an early date, at which time the plan will be fully explained by the board and active steps be taken to carry them out. At the suggestion of secretary W. P. Roberts, Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, appointed a committee last Wednesday to confer with committees from other lodges in Minneapolis as to the time and place for holding such a meeting.

St. Paul Court, No. 2, O. of A., will meet in regular session Wednesday night, Nov. 14, in Summit lodge room, cor. McKubin and Laurel. Mistletoe Court, No. 1, has accepted an invitation to do the work, and it is requested that every member of No. 2, will be present to heartily welcome our sister Court. All candidates are requested to be present at 8 p. m., sharp, also all who signed the charter petition should be present as this will be the last opportunity to come in as charter members.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Khurum No. 112, will have a "Past Masters Night" soon.

W. P. Roberts, grand senior warden, has gone to central Illinois for a week.

Dont neglect the stated communications they are of great importance.

Ark Chapter, No. 53 R. A. M., will confer the Mark Master degree to night.

W. P. Ross, Tecumpseh No. 17, Nebraska, has removed to Minneapolis.

David W. Knowlton, No. 112, made a trip to Chicago last Friday. Foot Ball (?)

Dr. Joseph Ridgway, 19, and daughter Florence went to Chicago last Friday.

Henry C. Hanke, 19, left last Thursday for Grand Rapids, Minn., on his annual hunting expedition.

An adjourned meeting of the Library Association will be held at the Masonic Library Tuesday, 8 p. m.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will have a spread Tuesday night. Whether there will be any work depends—

An adjourned meeting of the Masonic Board of Relief will be held at the office of the secretary, Tuesday 1:30.

Zuhrah Temple will hold a ceremonial session Friday, December 7; send in petitions now and arrange to be present.

Ark Lodge, No. 176, will confer the Master Mason degree on two or more Wednesday night. Members are urged to be present; visitors will be welcome.

Solon Royal, member of Wayzata Lodge, formerly of No. 19, has sold his home at Wayzata, and with his wife has gone to Belvidere, Ill., to spend the winter.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 28, will hold a special meeting for Drill, Thursday night, 15th.: Sir Knights are requested to be in attendance early.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, Entered five last Wednesday night; the Fellow Craft degree will be conferred Saturday night, 17th. It is hoped there will be a large attendance.

At its stated meeting last Monday night Ark Lodge received three petitions and elected one for degrees; there is a promise of considerable work before the holidays.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., will have the usual work after stated business Friday night. The Quartet had a new song at the last assembly, perhaps they have found another.

Paladin Commandery No. 21, St. Paul, conferred the Red Cross Order last Monday night; several companions were elected to receive the order of the Temple; lunch was served after the ceremonies.

A meeting of The Red Cross of constantine was held at Duluth, Nov. 3. W. M. Walker, W. A. Elliott and C. E. Ovenshire of Minneapolis, and W. H. S. Wright and J. Chamberlain of Sa. Paul, were in attendance.

Minneapolis Scottish Rite bodies will hold their Fall convocation December 3, 4, 5 and 6. Petitions must be in the hands of the secretary on or before Nov. 21, special meetings for balloting will be held Wednesday night, Nov. 28. Keep these dates in mind.

Minnehaba Lodge No. 165, feels that it is to be congratulated that two of its members have been honored by their fellow citizens in the election of Manly L. Fosseen to the senate from the 42d district, and the election of T. O. Dahl as alderman from the 7th. ward.

District Deputy Grand Master Hugh B. Marchbank paid an official visit to Wayzata Lodge No. 205, Nov. 2, where he was well received and witnessed the conferring of the Master Mason degree. Last Wednesday night he paid an official visit to No. 19, and had an excellent opportunity of learning the business methods of this, the third largest lodge in the world.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, had a largely attended meeting last Wednesday night. W. P. Roberts, S. G. W., Hugh B. Marchbank, D. D. G. M., D. A. Park a demitted member of 19, F. A. Thompson, No. 7, C. A. Dawson 176 and F. A. Woodruff, No. 167, Minn., F. E. Clinite, 110 Iowa, and G. B. Harty, 267, Mo., were visitors.

Four petitions were received, two elected to receive degrees and one to membership.

The Master Mason degree will be conferred in full form Wednesday night, 14th.

James G. Graves, for the past fifteen years tyler of Ark Lodge, Ark Chapter and Mounted Commandery, died of Bright's disease at Anoka, Friday, Nov. 2. Bro. Graves had been ill for several months and had recently gone to Anoka hoping for improvement by change of locality. Funeral services were conducted by the lodge, Nov. 5, from his residence; burial was at Lakewood cemetery. He was sixty-nine years old. Brother Graves was of a retiring disposition but his kindly face will long be missed from the outer door.

One who for the first time visits a large lodge like Minneapolis No. 19, is necessarily surprised at the amount of business transacted and wonders if that particular meeting is not an exceptional one in this respect.

While there is usually a fair attendance of members it is no less surprising that many more are not there at the stated communications. Matters of vital importance to the lodge arise at every meeting and those who attend are deeply interested in their disposal. It is fortunate that this lodge has officers of good executive ability as the business is of such a varied and often complex nature that less experienced officials would be at a loss to properly direct the affairs of the lodge. The same conditions obtain to a less extent in all lodges so that a large attendance is always desirable.

ILLINOIS.

Number of chartered lodges, 743; membership June 30, 79,712; net gain 4,686; residing in Illinois 72,253; non-resident members 6,459; amount received for dues during the year $71,700.30, contributions to members, their widows and orphans $30,512.26; contributed to non-members $14,289.04; contributed to Illinois Masonic Orphans' Home $387.90.

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Hennepin 4. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Wed. Masonic Temple; John J. Bullis, W. M., 1301 Raymond Ave., St. Paul, T. C. Park 6343; Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., Bldg. Dpt. City Hall, N. W. M. 630; T. C. City Hall 45.

Ancient Landmark, 6 (St. P.)—2nd and 4th Thurs., Mas. Hall, 24 W. 5th St. J. K. Morrison, W. M., M. T. Emery, Sec. P. O. Box 112. (N. W. Main 2660; T. C. 875.)

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Summit 163.. (St. P.) 2nd and 4th Fri. H. P. Fahnestock, W. M., (N. W. M. 2660; T. C. 375). R. B. Ware, Sec., 1002 Pioneer Press Bldg. (N. W. M. 1407-L; T. C. 447.)

Minnehaha 165. (Mpls.) 2nd and 4th Tues. 1535 E. Lake st. Thos. W. Allen, W. M., 3020 Longfellow av. S. (N. W. M. 433-J.) H. S. Goff, Sec., 2628 Clinton av. T. C. 8977.

Braden 168. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Thurs. Mas. Hall, 5th st. between Wabash and St. Peter St. A. W. Koeneke, acting W. M. Geo. W. Heaton, Sec., 309 G. N. Bldg. (N. W. 1575-L-2.)

SHEKINAH 171. (St. P.) 1st and 3d Mon. Cor. Isabel and So. Wabasha, 3d floor. E. Weisenburger, W. M., 116 S. Robert St. C. S. Schurman, Sec., 175 So. Wabasha. (Both Phones.)

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Arcana 187. (Mpls 2nd and 4th Mon. Masonic Hall, 2221 Central av. N. E. W. H. Ronald, W. M., John D. Tolman, Sec., 949 23rd av. N. E.

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THE MISSION OF MASONRY.

Owen Scott.

The Institution of Freemasonry is the legacy of the ages gone. What began with the organization of a band of builders, like the stone cut out of the mountain, has grown until it fills the whole earth. Where civilized man abides and opens the great light of truth and beauty, there stands Masonry like the monarch of the woods immortal and invincible. Unlike the great tree, its foes come not from without, but from within.

The destruction of the creature of our speculative art impends only when defective materials have entered into its composition. Our building is made of living stones and is eternal in the heavens.

Character The Aim.—In Freemasonry men are the artisans and the end is the building of manly character. It has ever been the aim to build wisely and well. We seek the nearest-perfect materials. We go into the quarries of everyday life and select the living stones offered, rough ashlars though they be. If moved by proper motives or, if standing upon firm foundations, the unfit are by the ballot cast out into the rubbish. Do you say that this is ideal and that through over anxiety to be big and rich improper materials are put into our edifice? True, but that does not destroy the value of the ideal. The lives of institutions, no less than those of men, are shaped and colored by their visions. The key to noble doing is to see clearly and then to act in obedience to this highest vision.

The Value of An Ideal.—The sculptor at work on a block of stone, appears to the passer-by to be doing a purely mechanical act. The observer sees but the chisel, the mallet, and the marble. In the sculptor's brain is a presence we cannot see. It is the ideal form to be wrought out by his hand. His vision makes him an artist; without it, he becomes merely a stone cutter.

So we are fashioned by our ideals. Only as these are true and beautiful can the life become noble and truly great.

Freemasonry is an institution of high ideals and lofty standards for human living. That all do not reach these, does not diminish the power for good. The names of the mercenary and the ignoble blur our rolls of membership. Unworthy men prostitute the symbols of the craft to base and unworthy ends. Would we contribute most to build up our great fraternity? Then we should regard fitness above fame and worth above wealth. If Masonry has a mission, an aim, it must not content itself with merely a beautiful ritual, faultlessly rendered. If the exalted teachings of the craft are to end with dramatic and spectacular exhibitions in lodge, there is little room or use for our fraternity in the affairs of men.

To Uplift Individual Life.—The first aim, therefore, is to uplift the individual life. Each man who bows at our altar and assumes the solemn obligations placed upon him should rise with clearer purpose and loftier aim. If he can but realize that as a Master Mason he has given him the plans and specifications drawn by the Supreme Architect of the Universe for the erection of the sublime structure of his own character, he will have caught the real spirit and aim of Masonry.

On the contrary, if merely moved by desire to improve his business, to wear a Masonic charm or to be able to start in a mad chase for the "higher degrees," the newly made Mason has been spoiled in the making. To be a real Mason is to be a better man in every relation of life. A more loyal, loving, and considerate husband; a more devoted and indulgent father; a better citizen; a truer friend—are a few of the fruits to be gathered from the Masonic orchard. Many are so intent upon selfish achievements that these are little esteemed.

A Loftier Manhood.—The first and greatest aim of Masonry is toward a loftier individual manhood, a purer womanhood, and a more tender and promising childhood. That Masons are builders can be seen by the name. While the operative craftsman uses perishable brick or stone and cements it into one common mass, the speculative workman uses living stones, which when properly united with the cement of brotherly love and affection, constitutes an edifice eternal in the heavens.

By teaching men the doctrines of temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice, together with the many other lessons drawn from, and daily applicable to the activities of life, deep foundations are laid upon which loftiest character must stand. When brotherly love, relief, and truth really enter into the fiber of a man's being, there it little room for the selfish and the debased. His instincts and his aspirations are toward the uplift that comes from a joyful service to mankind. That

I Am My Brother's Keeper is demonstrated in every avenue of life whether I am ready to concede it or not. He who achieves fortune, fame, or power over the crushed form of his fellow has made a Mephisto bargain and will render his grievous service in the Inferno of his own creation. Service and sacrifice are the crucible in which the base metals of greed, avarice, and selfishness are left as the dross of life. If thy brother would have thee go with him one mile, that is thy duty. When to this is added gladly, a second mile, that is a

blessed privilege. Masonry puts into a man's breast.

The Sweet Service Of The Second Mile.—In everyday life the man who renders the scantest service to complete his obligations, will find his burden onerous and distasteful. If in the employ of another, his tenure will hang by a slender thread. If the force is to be reduced, he will be first to go. On the other hand, if one is concerned more in doing excellent work than in merely putting in a specified number of hours each day, his promotions will follow one after the other unsolicited. The one who willingly and regularly does more than he is paid for and who seeks to do those things which his employer prefers not to do himself will be indispensable and secure in his position. Our eight hours for refreshment and sleep are that we may have and retain sufficient strength of body and mind to follow our usual vocations with vigor and success. Both these are the basis for our worship of God through relief of our worthy, distressed brother.

Masonry's mission, therefore, to the individual is to uplift his character and establish a nobler manhood.

In The Social Fabric.—To the aggregate of individuals, constituting the social state, Masonry has a message of vast importance. Civilization has ever had as a companion, our great fraternity. Whether the one or the other is the cause or effect cannot easily be determined. The warp cannot say to the woof of a fabric, "I have no need of thee." Each is so intermingled with the other that one cannot be injured without weakening the whole. So where the great light of Masonry and the world—the Bible—has gone, there is civilization and there is also Freemasonry. Without God's revelation to man in the Book of books, there has been and there can be little progress toward ethical standards.

In The Realm of Religion.—Masonry has not been concerned with the dogmas of theology and the factional feuds of rival sects. The church, organized religious thought and activity, stands supreme. To this we reverently bow, modestly claiming the privilege of casting out the devils of human need in the name of the Master of men.

The product of Judaism and Christianity, the Holy Scriptures, is the great light of Masonry. A belief in God and his Book is fundamental. Hence no atheist can become or remain a Mason and be honest. When he ceases to rely upon God as the Supreme Architect of the Universe, he owes it to himself and to the craft to go out from us because he is not of us.

Thus founded on the eternal truth of the revealed word and learning from this our duties to God and man, we, as Masons, are willing that the various schools of religious thought should settle the disputes of theology to their own liking. On such a foundation members of all churches, whether Jew or christian, come together and work as craftsmen of character without discord or difference. Harmony is the strength of all institutions and especially of Freemasonry.

A Mistaken Notion.—In times past the mistaken notion existed, that in some way Masonry was an antagonist of the church. Masons themselves may have been to some extent responsible for this error. In their enthusiasm for the lodge they were betrayed into saying some things regarding the relations of the fraternity and the church of the living God, not justified by the teachings of the craft. In these days there is a better understanding, so much so that a large proportion of the clergy and the laity of most religious denominations deem it an honor to wear the white apron, the emblem of innocence and the badge of a Mason.

Masonry's Mission in The State is one of peace and fidelity. Good citizenship can only be fostered by a society whose members are taught lessons of obedience to law.

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craft. Even to such an extent has this gone that some look upon this conservatism as partaking somewhat of fogyism and fossilism. The landmarks are our common law. This charter of liberties may sometimes be in some doubt in its application and readjustment to changed conditions of modern times.

It is conceded that it is not in the power of a man or a body of men to make innovations in the body of Masonry. In this age of organization in all its scope, many societies, patterned more or less after this ancient institution have sprung up. Many of these mixing fraternity and the business of insuring against sickness

(to be continued next week)

THE EASTERN STAR.

Ladies should call and inspect Mrs. A. L. Vrooman's latest importations, at 7 South Sixth street.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, will give a card party in its hall, Masonic Temple, Saturday, Nov. 24. 2:30. Members and friends invited.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, O. E. S., will give a dancing party Friday night, 23rd.

The Past Matrons' Club of Lorraine Chapter will meet with Mrs. J. J. Thomas, 28 North 12th St. Thursday, Nov. 22, at 1 p. m.—Abbie J. Baker, Sec.

"The ladies of Plymouth Chapter No. 19, O. E. S., will give a card party in Masonic Hall, 304 20th Ave. No., Friday afternoon Nov. 23. All members of the order and their friends are invited."

Mrs. Geo. W. Bester will entertain the thimble bee of Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, at her home, 3416 Columbus Ave. on Friday afternoon, Nov. 23. The ladies are having very pleasant times at these gatherings and all are cordially invited.

Mrs. Alice M. Taylor, past grand matron, died at her home, Seattle, Wash., Nov. 1. Grand Worthy Matron Yould, Minn., visited Heron Lake, Nov. 7. The Stars of Stillwater, Minn., have announced a dancing party for New Year's eve; they propose to make it a social function.

The Past Matrons' Club of Lorraine Chapter has invited the Matrons and past matrons of the various Chapters of the city to meet with them at the Temple, Monday, Nov. 19, at 2:30 p. m. to consider the advisability of forming a larger organization which would be of great social value to the different Chapters and to the order at large. It is hoped that all Matrons, past and present will be present and aid in the good work.—Abbie J. Baker, Secy.

The regular meeting of Palestine Chapter was held last Monday evening, with a good attendance; among the visitors present was Brother Gale, Past Grand Patron of Connecticut.

Mrs. Alice Vrooman-Wood an honored member of this Chapter gave an interesting account of a recent visit to the Raja Yoga school at Point Loma, California, of which we hope to hear again; Mrs. Wood has exalted ideas of the opportunities offered by the Eastern Star, and feels that they are not fully appreciated. It is said "no combination of people who do not see the light will make a crowd that does." It is precisely with the individual that the light-seeing must begin. The ideal she would set before us is to awaken and vivify that individual responsibility which alone can arouse the best activities of the order and set it upon the path of progress.—Ida M. Brown.

ZUHRAH'S LADIES.

At the recent meeting of Zuhrah's Ladies a committee was appointed to revise the initiatory ceremony; some charitable work for the coming months was also undertaken.

The annual bazaar is to be held in December and the ladies meet every Friday in their parlor at the Temple for an all day thimble bee. In order that the gentlemen may have a part in these happy occasions they are privileged to come to the luncheons for which each lady in attendance makes some provision. The bazaar will be held Dec. 14 and 15.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, held a house-warming in the newly decorated chapter room last Monday evening, the occasion being the reception and banquet tendered to Ida McKinley Chapter No. 178, of Hopkins. A large number, not only from Hopkins but from St. Louis Park and the sister chapters of the city, partook of the hospitality. After the usual routine of introductions and "honors" worthy matron Abbie Eells Reed welcomed the visitors in that sweetly dignified manner so peculiar to her. Her speech was not for the public but was sent straight to the hearts of her listeners who could not fail to imbibe something of the spirit of fraternity and loving kindness from its utterence. The Paulson Quartette sang and responded to an encore after which came the banquet. A program was enjoyed later in the evening during which little Pearlie Boomhower danced under calcium lights, making a little "beauty spot" in the evening's enjoyment. There were more songs and speeches and story telling, too numerous to mention in detail, but all of which were much enjoyed till the call for the "last car for the visitors reminded them that all good things must have an end. Miss Schadde's singing of the Holy City, illustrated with stereopticon, was particularly appreciated. The banquet room was beautifully decorated and the star officers, gowned in white, attended to the wants of all. Thus passed into history another one of the many pleasant events in Minneapolis Chapter No. 9.

Mrs. Susie Armstrong, 1330 Penn Ave. North, will entertain the thimble bee for No. 9, Wednesday afternoon Nov. 21.. Take Plymouth car to end of line.—M. E. R. McGuire, Cor.



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Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, O. E. S.

These bodies have a combined membership of over 4300, and each member is entitled to a copy of the Observer free. The Observer is mailed every Saturday. Any delays in receiving the paper should be reported. Changes in addresses, giving the old as well as the new, should be made promptly. Our Telephone is T. C. No. 3819. Office 215 Masonic Temple.

Now that the rigorous season is here there will be many calls upon the brethren from the less fortunate. Give as liberally as you can without material injury to yourself.

We were recently asked if we were not giving too much space to the Eastern Star. We admitted that this order has occupied considerable of our space, but we deny that it occupies more, proportionately, than it does in the Masonic World.

The jurisdiction of the Sovereign Grand Priory (Grand Commandery) of Canada exceeds that of the Grand Encampment of the United States, extending from ocean to ocean and from the great lakes to the North Pole.

From grand recorder Cornelius Hedges, Montana, we learn that there are 1,432 subordinate commanderies having 171,607 members, as follows: United States, 163,987; Canada, 2,820; England and Wales, 3,400; Ireland, 1,100; Scotland, 300.

The world is in need of the chivalry of Knights Templar as much today as ever, and so it will continue to be till He whose right it is to reign shall be acknokledged sovereign of every human soul created in His image.—Hedges.

We can't feed you dainties all the time; during the Masonic dull season we have endeavored to supply you with light reading; from now on we shall give you more solid matter. The season of annual reports, statistics and elections is near and as these are things of especial value we trust that their frequent occurrance will be well received.

A few years ago conservative Masons denied the order admission to their lodge rooms; now it is admitted in nearly every jurisdiction in the United States, and has become a valuable auxilliary in charitable work as well as in the social feature. The editor of the Observer was one of the conservative ones who long doubted if aught of good could emanate from Morris.

If the order was not here, and well established—Well! thats another story.

AMONG THE WORKERS.

The lodge at Cass Lake, Minn., is giving a course of lectures. The lodge at Cloquet, Minn., has recently erected a marble monument, consisting of a four-foot cube of granite, weighing seven tons and costing $400. Red Wing, Minn., lodge will give a series of social entertainments, the first on thanksgiving night. Lafayette No. 265, is the largest lodge in Wisconsin; it recently celebrated the attainment of its 500th. member. A class of five who recently received the M. M. degree at Sparta, Wis., presented their instructor with a gold watch. Portage la Prairie, Manitoba, Masons have purchased ground and will erect a new hall. Scottish Rite Bodies of Deadwood will hold their twenty-fourth annual reunion Nov. 21-23. Benevolent lodge, Britton, S. D. will erect a new hall. Grand Lecturer Ives will hold a school of instruction at Aberdeen, S. D., Nov. 21-23. Shiloh lodge, Fargo, N. D. elected officers Nov. 9. A ceremonial session of the Shrine will be held at Fargo, Dec. 3-5. Welcome lodge, Church's Ferry, N. D. will elect officers Nov. 22. Grand Forks, N. D. Masons gave a dancing party Nov. 14. Bismarck, N. D. lodge elected officers Nov. 5. Berry lodge, 259, Akeley, Minn., elected the following officers: J. H. Mosher, W. M., J. H. Nixon, S. W., Wm. Norton, J. W., C. F. Scheers, Treas., T. J. Brennan, Secy.; installation Dec. 5.

SOME OF THE FAITHFUL.

In Anno Latomorum 5885, several energetic Masons conspired to the end that they decided that a Masonic Temple was an imperative necessity for Minneapolis. As the outcome the Masonic Temple Association of Minneapolis was organized and incorporated, the capital stock being fixed at 150,000 which was afterwards increased to $250,000. The corner stone was laid September 4, 1888, and the building practically completed in 1889.

During the erection of the temple the board of directors was composed of the following fifteen well known business men and Masons: R. B. Langdon, B. F. Nelson, H. Kirkwood, F. Hooker, W. H. Eustis, F. C. Pillsbury, A. T. Ankeny, G. C. Farnham, F. C. Barrows, W. S. Brackett, J. M. Williams, J. A. Schlener, H. A. Towne, G. H. Rust and S. G. Cook.

To these men the Masons of Minneapolis owe an everlasting debt of gratitude. We of the present day little realize the difficulties met and overcome which made it possible for us to enjoy this magnificent structure. Of the original board, B. F. Nelson, A. T. Ankeny, H. A. Towne and John A. Schlener, have continued in faithful service.

The present board has carried on the work through many difficulties and so guided the affairs that the association is in a prosperous condition; some of the following have served from eight to fifteen years: W. P. Roberts, W. M. Walker, C. K. Bartlett, W. H. Lyon, Asa Paine, C. R. Cooley, J. S. Dodge, D. W. Knowlton, R. D. Weeb, C. E. Ovenshire and L. Paulle. The officers are A. T. Ankeny, president, W. P. Roberts, secretary, J. A. Schlener, treasurer. These men should all be held in grateful rememberance so long as the temple endures.

ORDER OF AMARANTH.

Upon invitation from St. Paul Court, No. 2, order of the amaranth, thirty-nine members of Mistletoe Court, No. 1, Minneapolis, visited the former last Wednesday night and witnessed the

conferring of the degrees upon a class of five, the work being done in a very impressive manner by the following officers of No. 1: Nettie Merriam, royal matron, H. A. Maas, royal patron, Nellie McCall, hon. as. matron, Kate Huntington, hon. conductress, Bessie Shannon, hon. as. conductress, Annie Chadwick, treasurer, Dolly Taylor, sec. p. t., Alice Willard, marshall in west, Martha Emery, marshal in east, Mary Walker, herald, Mrs. Frank Warner, Truth, Annie Kupfer, Faith, Mary C. Taylor, Wisdom, Elizabeth Thomas, Charity, Martha Monahan, organist. After the work refreshments were served and souvenir badges presented to each member. A most enjoyable time was had by all.

The next meeting of No. 2, will be held Wednesday evening, Dec. 12, when the annual election will take place.

By unanimous vote the **Masonic Observer** was made the official organ of St. Paul Court No. 2, and a copy will be mailed free to each member weekly.

SCOTTISH RITE BALL.

The Bodies of Minneapolis have decided to entertain their members with a reception and ball on Tuesday evening, November 27. The affair is now in the hands of able committees and its success is a foregone conclusion. A reception will be held from 8 to 9 p. m., dancing from 9 p. m. to 1, a. m. The magnificent hall on the 8th. floor will be especially decorated for the occasion and Rossiter's First Regiment Band in full uniform will furnish the music. Admission will be by card issued to each member and will admit the member and one lady. No additional tickets will be issued.

A SHINING ARRAY.

Dignitaries were numerous at Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 last Wednesday night, there may have been others but we were able to locate the following only: Frank L. Gowen, W. M. No.2; Fred, Joerns, W. M. No. 263; Past Masters, Bell, Reynolds, Dickinson, Young, Sawyer, Hahn, Ovenshire and Hodges, Minneapolis No. 19 and Patten No. 54, Minnesota; J. K. Ferguson, Wisconsin; W. M. Gage, No. 97, Connecticut and H. O. Hilton, No. 30, Minn.

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Zuhrah Temple will hold a ceremonial session Friday, December 7; send in petitions now and arrange to be present.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., stated Tuesday night; important business.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, will work the Mark, Past and Most Excellent degrees Saturday night, 24th.

Are you going to help your secretary make a good financial report by paying Dues before annual communication?

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, will meet for Drill Thursday night, 22d. The E. C. desires a large attendance.

Past Masters Night at Mineapolis Lodge No. 19, Wednesday, Dec. 12; the Master Mason degree will be conferred. Official roster later.

Khurum lodge No. 112, conferred the E. A. degree last Friday night; the annual Past Masters' Night will follow the election of officers.

W. M. Gage, p. m., of Center No. 97, Connecticut, and W. H. Gage, No. 3, Rhode Island, father and son, met at Minneapolis lodge No. 19, last Wednesday night.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, Passed several last Saturday night; this lodge has much work for the future and the members are earnestly requested to plan to be present.

Brother Solem of St. Johannes Lodge, Christiania, Norway, a member of the Laborers, First grade or Entered Apprentice, was a visitor at Hennepin last Wednesday during first degree work.

There will be great doings in Zuhrah Temple on the 7th. You will not want to miss the good things, but you will unless you pay the small sum which entitles you to the 1906 little red card. By-the-way, the card for 1907 will be pure white embellished in green; its a beauty and the price is only $3.00.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4 will raise two candidates Wednesday night; one was Entered last Wednesday night. Let there be a large attendance. Let Hennepin's "old guard" rally to the support of the officers and assist them in the last work of the Masonic year; light refreshments will be served after the work.

Minneapolis Scottish Rite bodies will hold their Fall convocation December 3, 4, 5 and 6. Petitions must be in the hands of the secretary on or before Nov. 21, special meetings for balloting will be held Wednesday night, Nov. 28. Keep these dates in mind.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224 will receive the annual reports of officers at the stated meeting Tuesday night; there are petitions to be received, balloting, etc.; after the regular business there will be a program of entertainments and light refreshments will be served for members. It is hoped that all resident members will be present.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, expects that Tuesday evening, Nov. 20, will be a pleasant evening as to the weather, and assuredly a pleasant evening inside the lodge room. The Master Mason degree will be conferred upon three candidates, and there will be social and prandial refreshments. Work will begin at 7 o'clock. Officers and members of the lodge please take notice. Visiting brothers will receive a cordial welcome.

Saint Paul Council No. 1, R. & S. M., will hold a special assembly Wednesday, Nov. 21 at 7:30, Masonic Hall, 5th St. The three degrees will be conferred in full; the companions in charge of the Super Excellent Master degree have given it special study and hope to render it more efficiently than heretofore. Music by the Minnesota Quartet of Minneapolis. Lunch at close of the work. Members of other councils are invited to attend.

Zion Commandery No. 2, has some interesting features for the benefit of attending Sir Knights. After the regular conclave last Tuesday night the Knights had a drill rehersal under command of Captain General Haseltine who said he never saw better first drill work done; commendation from him means much. The Sir Knights are displaying a good deal of interest and the drill promises to be a popular feature this winter.

The order of Red Cross will be conferred Friday night, 23d., with a possibility of the order of The Temple added. The Eminent Commander has set the minimum of attendance for this night at 50, will you be there; there will be drill after the work, so says the C. G.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, conferred the third degree on four last Wednesday afternoon and evening. The work was in charge of the regular officers excepting for the absence of the S. W., whose place was filled by the J. W. We heard several comments, all to the effect that the work was never better rendered. The Masonic Quartet and Prof. S. C. Gilbert furnished the music; Judge Dickinson delivered the historical lecture in his usual impressive manner; we are informed that the remaining lectures were well rendered. The East, West and South stations were adorned with beautiful flowers. A fine roast beef dinner was served at 6:30. In addition to a large attendance of members the fillowing visitors were registered: F. A. Brown, 163, Edward Longworth, Geo. M. Dill and E. H. Wallace, 105, and A. Neumann, 11, Wisconsin; Alfred Lotz, 311, W. H. Nelson, 437 and W. A. Keeble, 389, Illinois; L. D. Smith, Paul Dean, and H. B. Sewall, Ancient York, Massachusetts; W. H. G. Gibbs, 2, Manitoba; R. A. Sowers, 465, Penn.; H. W. Friedman, 44, Calif.; C. A. Joerns and N. Peterson, 263, M. J. Solvet, 165, G. E. Morrill, 139, J. R. Towne, 79 and Geo. W. Myer, J. W. 112, Minnesota; R. Haney, 4, N. D. and L. E. Dewey, 18, Iowa.

Eleven of the twelve commanderies, K. T., in Montana observed Ascension Day, May 27, by attending Divine services.

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STATED.
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STATED.
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Albert Pike Lodge No. 237.
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SPECIAL.
Hennepin No 4, Mas. Tem.
Master Mason Degree.
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THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Ancient Landmark 6, (St. P.) 24 W. 6th.
Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, Mas. Tem.
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FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Khurum No. 112, Mpls.
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Midway No. 185, St. Paul.
Zurah Temple, Minneapolis, Minn.
Plymouth Chap. O. E. S. No. 19, 304 20 av N.
SPECIAL.
Zion Commandery, No. 2 K. T. (Mpls).
Work in Red Cross degree.
Harmony Chap. O. E. S. No. 8 Univ. av SE
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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF THE MINNESOTA MASONIC HOME.

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The general purpose of said corporation shall be the erection, operation and maintenance of a home in Minnesota for indigent, afflicted and aged Free Masons, the indigent wives, widows and children of Free Masons, and other indigent persons, as may be provided by the By-Laws of said corporation, and also, in the discretion of the Board of Trustees of said corporation, to provide, operate and maintain an Infirmary and Hospital for the reception and care of Free Masons, their wives, widows and children and other persons.

ARTICLE III.

The plan of operation of such undertaking shall be to accumulate a fund through voluntary contributions, gifts, bequests, transfers in trust, membership fees from the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota, and from such other bodies and organizations as may be recognized by said Grand Lodge to be Masonic; from the Grand and Subordinate Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star; from the Temples of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America; from individuals, and from such other means and through such other sources as may be designated by the By-Laws; to loan and invest such funds so as to provide the best possible income therefrom, and when the accumulated funds amount to the sum of **one hundred thousand dollars,** to locate build, equip, and thereafter manage, operate and maintain a permanent home for those entitled to its benefits as herein stated and who may be admitted thereto in accordance with the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of said corporation; and also, in the discretion of the Board of Trustees, to erect, equip, operate and maintain a Hospital and Infirmary as hereinbefore stated:

Provided, that at least **Fifty Thousand Dollars** of the funds so raised shall be set apart, reserved and invested as a permanent endowment fund the income only of which shall be used for the purpose of such institution and for operating and maintaining the same.

ARTICLE IV.

The membership of such corporation shall consist of annual, life, permanent of the Grand Lodge and other Masonic organizations, permanent with right of appointment to the Home, permanent with right of succession but not of appointment, honorary, and such others as may be designated by the By-Laws.

Each membership certificate shall entitle the person or organization holding the same to one vote at the meetings of said corporation, except honorary members who shall not be entitled to representation at the meetings and shall not be held responsible for the acts of the corporation. **Provided,** that no Lodge, organization or individual not in good standing, as this term is known and understood under Masonic law and usages, shall be entitled to vote or participate in the meetings of the corporation, and **Provided further,** that more than one membership certificate may be issued to the same individual or organization; and any Lodge or other organization being a permanent member, may take out permanent membership in either, or both, of the other classes.

ARTICLE V.

Annual membership shall entitle the person holding the same to representation at the meetings of the corporation held within the year of which he is a member.

Life Membership extends and remains in force during the life of the person holding the same, provided that expulsion from the organization to which he belongs shall, ipso facto terminate any membership in this corporation.

Permanent Membership of Lodges, and other organizations shall continue during the existence of such bodies and their recognition by the grand Lodge.

Permanent Membership with right of Appointment, shall authorize the person or organization holding the same to appoint some eligible person (which may include himself if made by an individual) to become a permanent member of the Home, and to be cared for and maintained therein during the life of such appointee.

All such appointments, however, to be made of persons eligible to admission to the Home under the By-Laws, and subject to all of the rules and regulations hereafter adopted for the admission, government and dismission of residents of said Home.

Appointments as aforesaid may be made by last Will and Testament, and when made otherwise they shall be in such form as the By-Laws may provide.

Permanent Membership **with right of succession** but not of **appointment,** shall give the right of perpetual succession of such membership, provided the appointment be made by last will and testament, and of some person eligible to such membership; otherwise it shall cease to exist on the death of the person failing to make such appointment.

Honorary Membership, shall entitle the person to be known os one of the patrons of said enterprise: such member shall not be entitled to vote and shall not be held responsible for the acts of the corporation.

Other membership may be such as the By-Laws shall prescribe within the scope or general purpose of this enterprise.

ARTICLE VI.

The terms of membership shall be as provided by the By-Laws and the payment of fees as follows:

For the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota, and the governing Grand Bodies recognized as Masonic by such Grand Lodge; the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Sovereign Grand Inspector General for Minnesota of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, $250.00.

For any Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery, Consistory, Temple, body or organization subordinate to the above memtioned grand or governing bodies, as well as of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United

States, and of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine for North America$50.00
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Life Membership 25.00
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Honorary Membership 100.00

ARTICLE VII.

The government of said corporation shall be vested in a board of twelve trustees until such time as the fund for such Home shall be accumulated and the Home erected, and thereafter (the necessary changes to be adjusted by the By-Laws) to consist of nine trustees.

Said trustees shall be elected as follows:

At the first election four of said trustees shall be elected by the corporation of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Minnesota, known as the "Grand Lodge of Minnesota," and the remainder by the corporation itself at its annual meeting,—one each of them, so far as practicable, upon the nomination of the Grand and governing bodies (holding membership in said corporation) hereinbefore mentioned which may be recognized as Masonic by said Grand Lodge of Masons of Minnesota, and upon the nomination of the Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star, and the Sovereign Grand Inspector General for Minnesota of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, and the others, if any, from the members of said corporation.

Of the trustees first elected as aforesaid, those elected by the Grand Lodge shall hold office as follows: two for the term of three years, one for two years and one for one year; and of those elected by the corporation as aforesaid the terms shall be so adjusted at the time of the election that two shall be elected for the term of three years, three for two years and three for one year.

Thereafter the terms of all trustees shall be for three years, and the manner of their selection and adjustment of terms of office shall be fixed by the By-Laws, provided that the Grand Lodge shall always be represented by four trustees, and the other bodies through nomination as aforesaid so far as practicable.

The election by the Grand Lodge of Minnesota shall occur at its annual meeting each year, and the nominations by the other bodies, and by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General as aforesaid, shall be made during the year next preceding the annual meeting of this corporation.

All trustees and officers elected as aforesaid, or as herein prescribed, shall hold their respective offices until their successors have been elected and qualified.

ARTICLE VIII.

The annual meetings of this corporation shall take place in the Grand Lodge Room immediately following the adjournment of the Grand Lodge, and may be adjourned to meet there or elsewhere, if necessary for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE IX.

The officers of said corporation shall consist of a **President, First and Second Vice Presidents, Secretary** and **Treasurer,** and such other officers as may from time to time become necessary for the transaction of the business thereof. Such officers shall be elected annually at the annual meetings of this corporation.

ARTICLE X.

The first board of trustees of this corporation shall be the undersigned incorporators, and they shall hold office as such until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

The first officers of said corporation shall be President, Gideon S. Ives, First Vice President, Trevanion W. Hugo, Second Vice President, Mary C. Taylor, Secretary, William P. Roberts, Treasurer, Frank H. Carleton.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 4th day of October A. D. 1906.

The Incorporators are Gideon S. Ives and Archibald Guthrie of St. Paul, William P. Roberts, Frank H. Carleton and Mary C. Taylor of Minneapolis, Trevanion W. Hugo and William A. McGonagle of Duluth, Will Hayes Laird of Winona, Ambrose D. Cuntryman of Appleton, John W. Andrews of Mankato, Randolph A. Wilkinson of Crookston and Alfred G. Pinkham of Owatonna when appointed, now of St. Paul.

Madison, Minn., Stars entertained on the 13th.

SCOTLAND.

The grand lodge of Scotland holds an annual festival and installs its officers on St. Andrew's day, Nov. 30. The number of tickets for this year has been limited to 300 and price of admission fixed at five shillings.

A petition from seven members of the "Rite of Memphis and Mizraim," for a charter to open a Lodge in—Salonica, Turkey, was received by the Grand Lodge of Scotland; as this rite is not recognized grand lodge refused the prayer of petitioners.

Grand committee recommended recognition of and exchange of representatives with, the Grand Lodges of Alberta and Valle de Mexico.

MINNEHAHA AT WORK AND REFRESHMENT.

The spirit of fraternity, always existent in Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, prevaded the communication on last Tuesday evening in a marked degree. There was a large attendance of members and visiting Brothers. The 3d degree was conferred in an impressive manner. It is the custom in this Lodge, introduced several years ago, for the Worshipful Master to request some Brother to extend a word

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of welcome to the newly admitted Brothers in the several degrees. On this evening the secretary was assigned to this duty.

Past Master T. O. Dahl was presented with a valuable past master's jewel, in remembrance of his faithful and meritorious services in Lodge labors. No one who saw Brother Dahl on this occasion, and heard his response, could afterward doubt the greatness of his heart or the genuineness of his love of the tenets and teachings of Masonry. The presentation was made in behalf of the Lodge with befitting and forceful remarks by past master A. A. Baker. Then came refreshments in the dining hall, and fraternal greetings from quite a number of visiting brothers, among whom were the pastor of the Bloomington Ave. M. E. church, Rev. Brother Carl A. Anderson, of Osakis Lodge, Minnesota, and Brother Houghton, of Hennepin Lodge No. 4.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Ladies should call and inspect Mrs. A. L. Vrooman's latest importations, at 7 South Sixth street.

Brookings, S. D., Stars visited their Elkton sisters Nov. 10.

The Star social club of Pierre, S. D., gave a card party Nov. 20.

Stars of Rush City will give a Thanksgiving social.

Stillwater Stars will give a dancing party New Year's eve.

Crookston Stars have added forty to their membership this year.

Grand Patron, W. H. Kirk, instituted a Chapter at Melrose, Thursday 22d.

Worthy Grand Matron Yould inspected the Chapter at Luverne recently.

Grand Matron Harris visited Stars at Arlington, S. D., Nov. 10, and Volga Nov. 9.

Grand Rapids Stars gave a farewell reception to Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Lewis Nov. 16.

Fifty-five members of the Oconomokoc, Wis., Chapter visited the Stars of Watertown Nov. 12.

Fond du Lac and Rosendale,, Wis., Chapters were entertained by their sisters at Oakfield, Nov. 13.

The Chapter at Groton, S. D., initiated five Nov. 8, and is preparing for another class at an early date.

Kenmare, N. D., Stars visited Donnybrook recently. Gilby and Crookston Chapters visited Grand Forks Nov. 20.

The Chapter at Ashland, Wis., conducted the funeral services for Mrs. J. E. Cordry, Nov. 14; burial was at Janesville, Minn.

Aberdeen, S. D., Stars will give a series of social entertainments; a small fee will he charged for the benefit of the Home fund.

Salem, S. D., Stars gave a card party to all Masons Nov. 16. John Rich presented this Chapter with a gavel made of orangewood and mahogany.

Lorraine social club will meet Tuesday, Nov. 27, at the home of Mrs. R. L. Dockeray 3336, Third Ave. S. All members of the Chapter are urged to be present.

The members and friends of Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S., will be entertained by Miss Mattie Daines at her home, 1105 Knox Ave. North; Friday, Nov. 30, 8 p. m.

Stars of Cass Lake were recently entertained by a lecturer who. according to report "stole into their graces, retainied their attention and carried away their richest blessings.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, will have a Past Matrons night Tuesday, Nov. 27. Supper will be served for members and guests at 6:30. The work will be done by the Past Matrons. The Grand officers and the first three officers of sister chapters will be the invited guests.

Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, spent a delightful evening last Friday evening when the Past Matrons had charge of the work. The members were glad to welcome W. G. M. Yould, W. G. Sec. Taylor and P. W. G. M. Thomas, together with many others.

After the work of the evening, a short program was given after which a banquet was served in the dining room. This was the first of what we hope will be a pleasant annual event hereafter.—Sec.

INTERNATIONAL LIVE STOCK EXPOSITION, DEC. 1 TO 8, 1906, CHICAGO.

Farmers' sons not at college and students of the agricultural colleges will welcome this piece of news.

Last year the boys entering into competition in the students' judging classes had no hope of personal reward. The best they could do was, as a group from a college, win a trophy that would go to their school and farmers' sons competing singly could only pick what comfort they could from the glory of winning. This year good friends of the boys come forward and put up cash prizes that they can win and use as their own, and we all know what that means to a boy at school. McLaughlin Bros., the horse importers, desiring to aid in interesting young men in the study and improvement of the various breeds of animals offer the following premiums, in addition to tne trophies offered by the management of the International Live Stock Exposition.

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Seattle Chapter No. 3 and Oriental Chapter No. 19, R. A. M., Seattle, will give a reception and banquet for Richard S. Nichols, M. E. G. H. P., Nov. 27.

The Grand Lodge of Virginia placed the capstone on the newly rebuilt William and Mary college at Williamsburg, Oct. 11, 1859 .It is said that Washington recieved his commission as Surveyor at this college.

Freemasonry teaches us the fact that we do not and cannot live to ourselves alone, but that our life is bound up for good or ill with the lives of others; that as Masons we are God's workmen, toiling in the quarry of this world preparing stones for the spiritual Temple of the new Jerusalem in the great hereafter. It is our duty and our privilege to shape and beautify lives and characters—firstly and directly our own, and secondly and indirectly, by our influence and example, those of others. The everyday events and circumstances of our lives, our duties, and our recreations, our advantages and disadvantages, our joys and our sorrows, are instruments with which, under Divine guidance, we may make beautiful and glorious even such commonplace lives as ours. And so may we labor faithfully while the sun is at its meridian, that when the shadows lengthen and we are called from labor to refreshment, we may be privileged to enter the middle chamber of the Heavenly Temple above to receive our great reward.

In November 1859, Albert Pike, then the representative of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota at the Grand Lodge of Arkansas, said of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota:

Minnesota in its youth has already rivaled the glories of many older and more experienced bodies."

MINNESOTA LODGES .FIFTY YEARS AND OVER.

The following lodges have passed or are nearing the half century mark: St. Johns No. 1, Cataract No. 2, St. Paul No. 3, chartered February 24, 1853. Hennepin No. 4, Jan. 2, Ancient Landmark No. 5, Jan. 3, 1854. Dakota No. 7, Red Wing No. 8, Jan. 9, 1856. Faribault No. 9, Mantorville No. 11, Mankato No. 12, Wapahasa No. 14, Jan. 6, Monticello No. 16, Hokah No. 17, Winona No. 18, Jan. 8, 1857. There are nine lodges, No. 19 to 28 inclusive, which were chartered in 1858.

St. Paul Council No. 1, R. & S. M., held a largely attended special assembly last Wednesday night at which nine candidates received the three degrees in full form. A special feature of work was the highly dramatic manner in which the Super Excellent degree was conferred, many new and entertaining features being introduced which added much to interest of the degree.

An elaborate banquet was served after the work and several short addresses were made.

Among the many visitors were W. C. Allen, grand Master, Geo. E. Warner and Thos. G. Lee, past grand Masters, L. A. Countryman, T. I. M., Wm. Tweedie, past T. I. M., R. R. Langrell, I. B. Record, Alex. Gardner, Wm. Gray, all of Minneapolis Council No. 2, and Geo. J. Sjoblom, past T. I. M. of Adoniram No. 5. The musical program was rendered by the Minnesota Quartet, also members of No. 2.

In Freemasonry the fundamental qualification is a just and upright life — a life shaped and fashioned by the self-discipline of a living and healthy conscience, a life not lived for self alone, but with and for others, bound to the lives of others by the cement of brotherly love and a sense of common sonship of the Most High, and laid out according to that straight and undeviating line of conduct laid down by the Heavenly Architect.

AMONG THE WORKERS.

Grand Master Morris visited No. 140 at Little Falls Nov 19.

Mankato Commandery No. 4 will be inspected Nov. 27.

A. O. Sisson, P. M., was presented with a past master's jewel by Eveleth Lodge, 239, Nov. 14.

Sir Knight Geo. W. Damp being about to go to the Pacific coast for the winter, Faribault Commandery No. 8, gave him a supper and words of cheer.

Masons of Duluth and their families had a social session last Thursday night. There was an address by Robert Forbes, and a musical program.

Mesaba 255, Hibbing is settled in its new home, a handsome brick structure elaborately furnished.

Redwood Chapter No. 4, R. A. M., elected the following: I. N. Thompkins, H. P., C. V. Everett, K., H. N. Bell, S., Geo. Drake, C. H., M. W. Hingeley, P. S., N. V. R. Hunter, Treas., J. A. Johnson, Sec., J. Tyson, R. A. C. Comp. Hingeley is a son of Rev. J. B. Hingeley, and a member of Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M.

Park Region No. 227, conferred the M. M. degree Nov. 15.

Josephus No. 128, Mapleton, elected the following: W. M., J. M. Sprague; S. W., T. B. Taylor; J. W., W. D. Sprague; treasurer, R. B. Hanna; secretary, H. M. Quinn.

Fidelity No. 39, Austin, conferred the E. A. degree Nov. 14.

St. Omer commandery No. 18, Wausau, Wis., conferred the order of the temple upon four last Thursday, the grand commander and deputy being present.

Grand Commandery Constituted Antigo No. 31, last Friday.

Masons of North Platte, Neb., have let a contract for the erection of a $20,000 temple.

The eighteenth annual session of Algeria temple, A. O. N. M. S., Helena, will be held Dec. 13.

Grand Lecturer Ives visited the lodge at Wilmot, S. D., Nov. 15.

Unity No. 130, Sioux Falls, conferred the F. C. degree last Wednesday, and the M. M. degree Thursday; Minnehaha No. 5, will confer the F. C. degree Nov. 28. Sioux Falls Chapter

conferred the R. A. degree Nov. 17.

Aberdeen Lodge No. 38, will elect officers Dec. 4.

Canton, S. D., Lodge has added a piano to its furniture.

Masons of Grand Forks, N. D., gave a dancing party Nov. 14.

Bismarck and Mandan companions joined in conferring the R. A. degree at the latter place Nov. 9.

The Lodge at Drayton, N. D., elected the following officers: W. J. Buchanan, W. M., G. A. McCrea, S. W., J. R. Strong, J. W., O. C. Olson, Treas., Thos. Newans, Sec.

MASONRY AND MUSIC.

Recently we heard a young student of music say that music could not be defined. Masonry defines music thus: "Music teaches the art of forming concords, so as to compose delightful harmony, by a mathematical and proportional arrangement of acute, grave and mixed sounds. This art, by a series of experiments, is reduced to a demonstrative science, with respect to tones, and the intervals of sound. It inquires into the nature of concords and discords, and enables to find out the proportion between them by numbers."

HENNEPIN NO. 4 ENTERTAINS.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, had the largest meeting of the year last Wednesday night.

One candidate was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, the work and lectures being in charge of the regular officers and exceedingly well done. The Temple Quartet sang the musical program.

Worshipful Master Bullis spoke briefly of the work accomplished giving a summary thereof.

Brief addresses were made by visitors all of whom spoke in words of praise of the beauty of the newly decorated hall.

A banquet was spread in the library room to which due justice was done by the 70 present.

Henry S. Mead, for 12 years secretary of the lodge, made a brief address.

Following is a partial list of visitors: S. B. Washburn, 112, Z. Barker, F. O. Morrison, P. C. Sanborn, 19, F. W. Newcomb, J. H. Kline, C. H. Sullivan, 224, C. A. Scheadle, 143, W. S. Holcomb, 133, J. Steen, 231, G. A. Brae, 211, J. A. Helsser, 176, Minnesota; John K. Sayer, 195, Pa.; H. B. Smith, 95, Wash.; L. E. Dewey, 18, Iowa; S. W. Madge, 36, Kansas; E. F. Law, 389, Ill.; W. H. W. Noe, 1, N. J.

The reports of the officers of Hennepin Lodge No. 4, will be read at the stated communication, Wednesday night, 28th; it is hoped that all resident members will be present. Election of officers in December, bear this in mind.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Walter B. Tripp, Mt. Lebanon, Boston, Mass., was a caller on the 19th.

Dont neglect the stated communications they are of great importance.

Walter Hosfeld of No. 224, has returned from St. Paul and is now connected with the Sanitary Laundry, 618, 3d Ave. S.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree Tuesday night, 27th. Members are requested to be present.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, will confer the Red Cross order after the stated conclave Tuesday, 27th. Members urged to be present.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 will confer the Entered Apprentice degree Wednesday night, 28th; refreshments will be served after the work. This lodge received one petition for membership and two for degrees and elected four to receive degrees, at its stated com. last Wednesday.

J. A. Buchanan, member of Ark Lodge, No. 176, died of Paralysis at Los Angeles, California, last Tuesday night. Burial at Los Angeles by the Masons. His wife and three children survive. He was a brother of W. C. Buchanan of this city and resided here many years.

The secretary of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165 is traveling toward the East, to Philadelphia, in the interest of his publications, to be gone several weeks, and the Tyler of the Lodge, Brother Stevens, is traveling toward the West, to California, in the hope of relief from rheumatic pains, and will be gone through the winter.

There will be a special communication of Cataract Lodge No. 2, A. F. & A. M., Wednesday, Nov. 28. The third degree will be conferred in short form at 4 p. m., and in full form at 7:30 p. m. Refreshments.

Saturday, Dec. 1, will be held the Annual Communication. Reports of Secretary and Treasurer, election of officers, and other important business. A full attendance is desired.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, held one of its characteristically pleasant communications last Tuesday night. One petition was received; the annual reports of the secretary and treasurer were received and referred. District Deputy Grand Master Hugh Marchbank made an official visit. After the stated business a musical program was rendered by the following Brethren: Ira D. Bently, violin, G. G. Mueller, flute and Albert Bush, Piano and Bro. Dempsie gave a selection of readings. J. D. Campbell of Imperial No. 124, Spokane, Wash. R. G. Joslin, Mich., and S. B. Washburn, P. M. of 112, Minn., were visitors.

Ark Lodge No. 176 will confer the Fellow Craft degree on a class of three Wednesday night, 28th. Members are requested to be present.

The Master Mason degree will be conferred early in December, look for annouucement.

Seven were Entered by this Lodge last Monday night.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., held a very pleasant stated convocation last Tuesday night; there was the usual business, five new petitions received and four elected to receive the degrees. Past High Priests Lyons, Maas, Felhaber, Braden and Chase were present and addressed the Chapter briefly. Work was set as follows: Mark Master degree Tuesday, Nov. 27; Past and Most Excellent, Thursday, Dec. 6; Royal Arch, Monday, Dec. 17. The annual election will occur on Tuesday, December 18. The High Priest invites all members and sojourning Companions to be present at these convocations.

In 1859 Concordia Lodge No. 83, Wisconsin, now defunct, composed mostly of Germans, called a special communication on the Sabbath, opened a Masters Lodge, then called from labor to refreshment, and opened what they called a Sister's Lodge, to which were admitted the wives and children of the members of Concordia Lodge. After some ceremony peculiar to themselves, they proceeded to baptize the male children, after which the Sister's Lodge was closed, and the Masters Lodge called to labor, and the boys baptized reported, as having duly received that ordinance, and were joined to the mystic body of Masonry. This action coming to the notice of Grand Master Tracy, he immediately suspended the Lodge. The edict of suspension was afterward revoked. The officers claimed in justification that the ceremony was practiced in Germany, and that Masonry being Universal they had the right to practice it in this jurisdiction.

A UNIQUE EVENT.

There was a rather unique meeting of Mt. Hood Lodge No. 105, Hood River, Oregon on the evening of Nov. 10. There were about 80 in attendance, with work in the third and a banquet afterward.

It was what they call "Tieman Day", in memory of a brother who died in 1899 and willed his entire property to the lodge for the purpose of erecting a lodge room; there being enough for that but not quite enough to build one with banquet hall the Lodge erected the entire building and have it nearly paid for.

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THE MISSION OF MASONRY.

Owen Scott.

(Concluded.)

It is conceded that it is not in the power of a man or a body of men to make innovations in the body of Masonry. In this age of organization in all its scope, many societies, patterned more or less after this ancient institution have sprung up. Many of these mixing fraternity and the business of insuring against sickness and death have led some of those, less thoughtful,

Upon Dangerous Ground.—Some lodges and many brethren can see no reason why Masonry should not leave its impregnable fortress of pure fraternity to enter into competition with societies which occupy a different place and are organized for distinctly different, yet useful, purposes. Through all this Masonry has stood like the rock of Gibraltar against the beatings of the ocean of modern orders. So thoroughly have the laws and customs, evolved through the ages, been adhered to that our royal craft stands today greater and better than in any age since its foundation. Every Mason whether in humble or exalted station in life learns and practices

Lessons of Equality.—Farmers, mechanics, teachers, ministers, and those in professional or other vocations of life form a society of friends and brothers among whom no contention should ever exist, except that noble contention, or rather emulation of who best can work and best agree. Standing as it does upon such foundations, the equality of merit and thorough obedience to law, it is easy to perceive how profoundly Freemasonry contributes to good government.

No Clans or Classes.—Our republic in fact is built upon precisely this basis. All men are equal before the law of the land and must obey it. Social distinctions may exist by reason of wealth or station. Society may be divided into clans and classes, but by the genius of our republican institutions, all men are created equal. Opportunity opens the doors of success to those able and worthy to enter. The ignoble and the indolent and the shiftless may rail at their want of luck, but their failure is from within not from without. Masonry regards no man for his wordly wealth or honors. Worth of the man is its only concern. Being moved by these principles it cannot fail to be a powerful factor in the state. Universal peace is largely in the keeping of such agencies as our great brotherhood. All over the world men come together as friends aud brothers. Discord is frowned upon, peace is encouraged. The vast army marching under Freemasonry's banner of "peace on earth good will toward men" must move mightily in the direction of

Universal Amity And Concord.—Peaceable settlement of international difficulties is rapidly coming. The great Hague tribunal may have failed to avert the war between Russia and Japan, but its mighty voice has penetrated to the ends of the earth commanding universal peace. Silent but potent means are gradually wearing the rocks of bloodshed and strife away. In this great movement toward millennial peace, Masonry is a willing worker. She says to those battling for conquest or for glory or for power:

"If I were a voice, a convincing voice,
I'd be borne on the restless wind,
And wherever I saw warring nations torn,
I'd creep to the hearts full of spite and scorn,
With love's own chain to bind," and tell them to be free.

Our fraternity's mission in the state is distinctly for good citizenship ond for universal peace.

The Relief Of The Distressed.—The voice of Masonry not only appeals to the individual life in the up-building of character; to the man's religious thought in the broadest toleration and yet with greatest emphasis; to the state in sustaining law and order; but it recognizes as one of its special fields of missionary endeavor the relief of want and woe and suffering. It looks upon the worthy distressed brother, his widow and orphan as its chief concern. Our fellowman is our brother. Though we may be of another race or creed we are yet taught that our charity is universal.

It may be the Jew robbed, wounded, half dead by the Jericho roadside, yet the Samaritan, despised and shunned, stoops to bind up the wounds and ministers to the wants of his enemy in distress. This is the spirit of Freemasonry. With Abou Ben Adhem we teach that those who would stand highest in love to God must prove their claims by practical love to man. In almost every grand jurisdiction in our great country, in some practical, effective form provision is made for aged and indigent Masons. their wives, their widows, and helpless orphans. The particular methods adopted to meet the exigencies in various states differ according as one theory or another may have gained sway. In all cases, however, there is absolute unity in the willingness to provide for the aged brother and his dependents when the storm and stress of life have come.

A Ritual Without The Soul of Masonry is Dead.—It is a skeleton of dry bones hung together by wires as may be seen in the doctor's office or the class of the medical college. Our care for the old and young in our homes is not our whole duty. In every lodge in city, town, or hamlet, are abundant needs for the kindly and friendly offices of the individual Mason. Or-

ganized charity, so-called, does not supersede the generous duty of the craftsman. If he really imbibed the true spirit of our wonderful brotherhood he will not allow the sun to go down without the relief of every worthy distressed brother within the length of his cable-tow.

Neither will the measurement be by any circumscribed standards. Wherever there is a human sigh, a pain of anguish, a sorrow-stricken heart or a fevered brow this cable-tow will be found sufficient to reach it. The mission of Masonry is to every corner of the world in which may crouch distress or suffering or want. It goes to uplift, to gladden, and to beautify. To uprear noble, manly character whether in society, in religion, in the state, or in the infinite relations of individual life is Masonry's divinest mission.

"The world wants men, large hearted, manly men.
Observer 4. Alfred
Men who will join its chorus and prolong
Its psalm of labor and its song of love.
The age wants heroes: Heroes who shall dare
To struggle in the serried ranks of truth,
To clutch the monster Error by the throat,
To bear opinion to a loftier seat,
To blot the era of oppression out
And lead a universal freedom in."

SCOTTISH RITE ENTERTAINMENT.

Beautiful beyond compare was the scene in the great hall on the eight floor of the Masonic Temple last Tuesday night. The occasion being the reception and ball given by the Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

These occasions are always the Society event in Masonic circles, and this was by far the most successful entertainment ever given by the rite in Minneapolis.

Beautiful to the smallest detail were the decorations, which consisting of the banners of the order, national flags and beautiful bell shaped pendants which hung suspended from the roof and covered the walls. The stage was a mass of foliage and the great ceiling ablaze with electric lights.

Booths were placed in the corners from which frappe, candies and light refreshments were served.

Rossiter's first regiment band played a concert program of selections from Losey, Bach, Donizette and Von Blon, while the company of fair ladies beautifully gowned, and brave gentlemen in evening dress assembled, and afterwards a dance program of twenty numbers.

From the great gallery the floor was a scene of enchantment as the dancers moved to the rythm of the music, and many were the exclamations of pleasure at the beautiful sight.

Following is a roster of the members who were present with their wives or other ladies: Col. Sam. E. Adams, Sov. Grand Inspector General and Lieut. Grand Commander, 33° Active.

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Rev. J. N. Henry of Champlin, Minn., father of the wife of Bro. U. G. Herrick, the well known mail carrier and member of No. 19, died last week.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Ladies should call and inspect Mrs. A. L. Vrooman's latest importations, at 7 South Sixth street.

Church's Ferry, N. D., wants a Chapter.

Stars at Detroit gave a social dance last Friday.

Canton, 85, held its annual children's night Nov. 23.

Stars of Madison, S. D., are planning a trip to Chicago for this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Ripley, Mohall, N. D., have removed to Minneapolis; they are Star members.

Ionic Chapter, 84, Minn., recently entertained their own and members of Lamberton chapter.

Harmony No. 8, had a very successful meeting last week, with 150 present. Mrs. Molyneaux, Asso. Grand Matron, was the guest of honor.

The past Matrons' club of Lorraine Chapter will entertain their husbands and Patrons and past Patrons of the Chapter and their wives at a seven o'clock dinner Friday, Dec. 7, at the home of E. R. Shepard, 2931, Portland Ave.—Abbie J. Baker.

Mrs. Evelyn Yould, W. G. M., has returned from an extended visit among the Chapters in the Western part of the state in which she visited the following: Laurel, 163, Ruthton; Benton, 78, Lake Benton; Lona, 12, Marshall; Virginia, 15, Tracy and Armanda, 151, Walnut Grove; all of which she found in prosperous condition and the true spirit of the order and its teachings prevailing. She was everywhere received with the respect due her office. She is proving a worthy successor to her able predecessors.

Members and friends of Palestine social club will be entertained by Mrs. T. H. Newbert, 2943 Aldrich Ave. S., Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2:30 p. m.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, will give a card party Saturday, Dec. 8, 2:30 p. m., 6th floor Masonic Temple.

Palestine Chapter No. 112, election of officers next Monday night, 10th.

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Keep your Lambskin unspotted before the world.

The annual reunion of the Scottish Rite Bodies at St. Paul, will be held Jan. 7 to 11, inclusive; the degrees from 4th to 32d., inclusive, will be conferred.

It is our pride that we have our names on the records of Freemasonry. May it be our high ambition that they should shed luster on the immortal page.

The Acacia Fraternity of the University of Minnesota held open house in the evening of November 24th, many members and their friends enjoying the Fraternity's hospitality. Cards preceded a supper, after which smoke and smoke-talks were in order.

The Fraternity is this year fully living up to its previous social record and its visitors are entertained exceedingly well. President Erdmann reports that the national, as well as the local organization is prospering and growing. There are now chapters at eleven universities and colleges and applications for membership from two others.

Endow us with a competency of divine wisdom, that by the secrets of our art, we may be better enabled to display the beauties of Brotherly Love.

In our elections let us hew, square and number the stones of our selection so that when the fabric is completed its several parts will fit with such exactness that neither envy nor discord will find a place in our lodge rooms.

Almas Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., nominates in November the officers to be elected in December; it also nominates and elects its representatives to the Imperial Council in the same manner.

"I seen my duty and I done it." This language is ascribed to Jerry Rusk, a former governor of Wisconsin, who arose from an humble stage driver to become the first commissioner of Ariculture.

There are duties which we owe to our fellow-men, to our country, our state and our Lodge, which may conflict with our ambitions; have we sufficient character that when these duties confront us we can see them and do them.

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CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE.

The following sentiment has been prepared by the Committee on Christmas Observance of the Grand Encampment for the coming Christmas.

"To our Most Eminent Grand Master, George M. Moulton: A Merry Christmas, and may he always Remember the Love and Friendship of his Fellow Soldiers of the Cross."

To which the Grand Master sends the following response:

"To the 165,000 Sir Knights of our Jurisdiction on Christmas Day, the most memorable of all the days in the Christian's Calendar, this sentiment is dedicated:

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Charles L. West, Grand Commander of Minnesota "extends hearty Christmas Greetings to all Sir Knights within this Grand Jurisdiction, and expresses the hope that each of you and those dear to you may enjoy in unlimited measure the happiness that should come to all during the glad Christmas time."

SCOTTISH RITE CONVOCATION.

The December convocation of the Minneapolis bodies will be held this week.

Lodge of Perfection, Monday, afternoon at 1:00, evening at 7:30, degrees 4-14.

Chapter Rose Croix, Tuesday, afternoon at 4:30, evening at 7:30.

Council Knights Kadosh, Wednesday afternoon at 3:00, evening at 7:30.

Consistory, Thursday, afternoon at 4:00, evening at 7:30.

Music: Monday and Tuesday, Double Quartet, Wednesday, Masonic Quartet; Thuesday, Double Quartet.

The customary banquet Thursday evening.

A despatch from Rome, Italy, dated Nov. 15, reads: The Italian Free Masons have begun a campaign to have Italy follow France in the anti-clerical movement. They have issued a proclamation forbidding Free Masons to have any intercourse in politcal affairs with clericals, claiming that it leads to retrogression.

One deputy has resigned from the Masonic fraternity as a result of the movement, and it is rumored the former premier, Fortis, may be expelled from the fraternity because he expressed a conciliatory feeling towards the clericals.

AMONG THE WORKERS.

Fidelity Lodge, Austin, entertained Nov. 20.

Red Wing No. 8, had a social evening Nov. 29.

Granite Falls, Minn., Masons entertained Nov. 20.

The Masonic Hall at Currie is being decorated and refurnished.

The Lodge at Grand Forks, N. D., gave a Thanksgiving dance Nov. 28.

Perfection Lodge, Calgary, will erect a six story block to cost $85,000.

Masons at Kenmare, N. D., have pledged $1,000 in aid of the temple at Minot.

Grand Master Morris visited the Lodge at Verndale Nov. 20, and at Wadena Nov. 21.

Grand Secretary Montgomery visited and inspected Tyrian Chapter No. 6, Faribault, Nov. 20.

The Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Knights Templars gave a reception and ball Nov. 20; the Templars of Spokane attended.

Zona chapter, 12, R. A. M., Bozeman, Mont., gave a house warming Nov. 13, to which the Lodges, Commandery and O. E. S. were invited.

Vermillion Lodge, Edmonton, Alberta, recently instituted, held its first meeting Nov. 13. Furniture and paraphernalia will be ordered at once.

The super excellent degree was conferred on 415 candidates at a joint assembly of Wisconsin Council No. 4 and Kilbourn No. 9, Milwaukee, Nov. 24.

NEBRASKA'S OLDEST MASON.

Rev. C. P. Hackney died at Ashland, Neb., Nov. 25; he was born in Frederick County, Md., Aug. 11, 1814, went to Ohio iu 1834, was married Sept. 13, 1836 to Mary Large who survives; went to Wisconsin in 1852 and to Nebraska in 1878; made a Mason April 20, 1846. He had received a medal from and was a pensioner of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

MASONIC HOME.

A mass meeting of Minneapolis Masons to consider Masonic Home matters is planned for Monday, Dec. 10, at Masonic Temple; keep this date open and look for notice in next issue.

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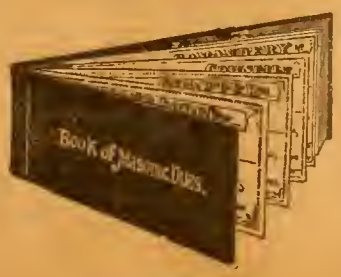
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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Zion's next K. T. card and dancing party will occur Thursday, Dec. 13.

Cataract No. 2, conferred the M. M. degree on four last Wednesday afternoon and evening.

Dr. Edwin Wanous, 19, Passed Thanksgiving with his father and mother at Glencoe.

Plymouth Lodge No. 160, annual election tonight; this lodge conferred the M. M. degree last Saturday night.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, will hold its annual election Wednesday, Dec. 12, keep this date and arrange to be present.

Lorne Dean of Hennepin No. 4, is now located at Omaha, Neb., much improved in health by change of climate.

Charles E. Braden, the well known member of "No. 19," has been chosen manager of the new Gorham-Braden company.

Wm. A. Carleton, U. S. Army, stationed at Fort Crook, Neb., a member of Minnesota 224, was a caller last Wednesday.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, annual election of officers at next stated, Tuesday Dec. 11; the Worshipful Master desires a large attendance.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will work the Fellow Craft degree at a special tomorrow, Tuesday night. Dont forget the stated Wednesday night.

Chas. E. Tunstead, a Mason, residing at Oxford, Mich., brother of Edward Tunstead of No. 19, was killed in an automobile accident in Detroit, Nov. 24.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, aunual election of officers at the stated communication, Tuesday, Dec. 4. Worshipful Master Foster urges the members to be present.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, R. A. M., annual convocation reports and election of officers, Saturday, Dec. 8. This Chapter conferred R. A. degree last Friday.

Zuhrah Temple A. A. O. N. M. S. will hold a ceremonial session Friday night, 7th. There will be entertainment galore. A special session for receiving petitions and balloting will be held Thursday night, 6th.

Khurum Lodge No. 112, conferred the F. C. degree last Friday night and there is a probability that the E. A. will be conferred this week. The Observer goes to press Friday night so that proper notices of work in this lodge can not be given; however it is safe to expect work at every communication and be there.

C. B. Steelman and W. B. Andrews, Ark 176, have returned from a successful hunting trip; each brought in 2 deer and Bro. Steelman was so fortunate as to get a moose; the latter in northern Itasca county.

Rudolph B. Field, member of Khurum No. 112, residing at 402 E. 33d St., died of tuberculosis Nov. 24; buried Nov. 26; by request the Lodge furnished pall bearers. Bro. Field was formerly connected with the Purchase Laundry; recently a commercial traveler.

Ark Lodge, No. 176, annual election of officers tonight; every resident member should attend. This lodge will probably confer the M. M. degree next week; see the Observer for the date.

Later. Ark Lodge, No. 176, will confer the Master Mason degree on 6 or 7 candidates Thursday, Dec. 6; work will begin at 4 o'clock, and the working force is requested to be prompt; evening work at 8.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., Past and Moset Excellent degrees Thursday, Dec. 6.

Royal Arch degree Monday, Dec. 17. Six o'clock dinner.

Reports of officers and annual election, Tuesday, Dec. 18. It is hoped that every resident member will attend these, the last meetings of the year. S. C. Gilbert, organist, the Minnesota and Masonic Quartets, will furnish music for these meetings.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on six young men of exceptionally fine moral and business character last Wednesday evening. From a Masonic standpoint, morality, uprightness and good repute, no better material was ever received.

After the ceremonies light refreshments were served and the usual short addresses made; the following visitors were registered: Geo. W. Meyer and H. S. Godfrey, No. 112, Max M. Yaeger, 224, Geo. E. Merrill, 139, Minn.; J. A. Heidbrink, 288, Wis.

The annual Past Master's night will occur on Wednesday the 12th., when the Master Mason degree will be conferred on a class of between ten and sixteen, the work commencing in the afternoon. The following Past Masters will have charge of the work: T. D. Bell, W. M.; L. A. Condit, S. W.; C. C. Reynolds, J. W.; H. D. Dickinson, Treas.; Geo. E. Young, Secy.; C. L. Sawyer, S. D.; C. A. Smith, J. D.; Henry Hahn, S . S.; C. E. Ovenshire, J. S.; O. B. King, Chaplain; Ed. J. Hodges, Tyler; A. G. Schlener, B. F. Holbrock and H. B. Hixon, principal Craftsmen.

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St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, (Mpls.) S. E. Geo. P. Sjoblom, H. P., 301 Andrus Bldg., M. 2086, T. C. 392; W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., 306 University Ave. S. E., M. 1957, T. C. 108.

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Palmyra 65. (St. Paul.) 2nd Tues. Benj. A. Phillips, H. P., Geo. E. Rouse, Sec., St. Anthony Park.

COLUMBIAN CHAPTER 60. (Mpls.) 4th Tues. Mas. Bldg., 304 20th av. N., John Hill, H. P. Geo. W. Hall, Sec., care Mpls. Gen. Elec. Co. (N. W. M. 189.)

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MONDAY EVENING.
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Plymouth 160, 304 20th av. N.
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Anchor Chapter 67, Mpls.
Darius Commandery 7, Mpls.
Paladin Commandery No. 21 (St. Paul).
Loraine Chap. O. E. S. No. 16, Mas. Tem.
Mistletoe Chapter O. E. S. No. 96 (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
Scottish Rite, Minneapolis, degrees 4-14.

TUESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
Mizpah 191 (St. P.)
Capital City No. 217, St. Paul.
Minnesota No. 224, Mpls.
Annual Election.
Minnesota Chap. 1 (St. Paul.)
Arcana Chapter 38, O. E. S., Mpls.
SPECIAL.
Scottish Rite, Minneapolis, degrees 15-18.
Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 (Mpls.).
Fellow Craft Degree.

WEDNESDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Minneapolis 19, Mas. Tem., 6th floor.
Albert Pike Lodge No. 237.
Constellation Chap. 18, O. E. S., St. Paul.
Montgomery 258 (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
Scottish Rite, Minneapolis, degrees 19-30.

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.
Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
Excelsior Lodge of Perfection No.2, Mas. Tem
SPECIAL.
Ark Lodge No. 176 (Mpls.).
Master Mason Degree.
St. John's Chapter No. 9 (Mpls.).
Work in P. and M. E. degree.
Scottish Rite, Minneapolis, degrees 31-32.
Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Balloting.

FRIDAY EVENING.
STATED.
St. Paul No. 8, (St. P.) Mas. Hall.
Minnehaha Chap. O. E. S. No. 37, Lake and Bloomington.
Zuhrah's Ladies, Mas. Tem., 2:30 p. m.
SPECIAL.
Zuhrah Temple, Minneapolis, Ceremonial.

SATURDAY EVENING.
St. Anthony Falls Chap. 3, 22 Univ. av. S. E.
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FREEMASONRY IN SWITZERLAND.

Historic Notes.

The first impulse for the creation of Lodges in Switzerdand came from outside. Foreign immigrants, or Swiss returning home from abroad, having been received as Freemasons in England, France or Germany, could not give up their Masonic activity and meetings which had become dear to them. They established the first Lodges, and before long gained new members among the population. The new adepts at first belonged to patrician families, as was also the case in other countries where the aristocracy and learned men gladly joined the Lodges. The first Lodge was founded at Geneva in 1736. Then followed Lausanne in 1739, Zurich in 1740, Neuchatel in 1743, Bale in 1744, Berne in 1750, Fribourg in 1761, Locle in 1774, &c. These Lodges had their various fates. There was a constant going and coming of the foreign element; political and social conditions exercised a great influence; and the authorities, especially those of Berne and Geneva, combated Freemasonry, and even went so far as to dissolve the Lodges. Numerous changes ensued. Moreover, the various systems which were formed in the Grand Lodges of the neighbouring countries, and were also introduced into Switzerland, hindered the development of national Freemasonry in Switzerland. An ensemble, the parts of which should be uniform and intimately connected with one another, was thus impossible.

The French Revolution changed the situation completely. While in France the activity of the Lodges was almost entirely suppressed, Swiss Freemasonry soon resumed its work with more ardour than ever. At the beginning of the 19th century were founded new Lodges which still exist, having been formed, partly of what was left of the older ones, especially those of Geneva, one of which, "L'Union des Cœurs" had not ceased to work, and partly of entirely new elements. In 1803 was founded at Berne the Lodge "Zur Hoffnung" which took a most active part in the development of Swiss Freemasonry, and in the foundation of a national Grand Lodge. In 1808, a Lodge was installed at Bale. In 1810, the "Grand Orient National Helvétique Romand" was constituted by the union of seven Lodges in the



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Canton of Vaud. In 1811 we find the "Modestia" at Zurich, and in 1815 the "Brudertreue" at Argovie.

During the domination of Napoleon the Lodges of Switzerland were placed under the influence of the Grand Orient of France. After this period the Grand Orient gradually lost all interest in Swiss Freemasonry; on the other hand, however, German Freemasonry made itself felt more and more. The Lodges of Bale and Zurich in particular were now the leading promoters of the adapted German system. They evinced great activity and won over Geneva, Neuchatel, Locle, &c.

In 1818 Berne, in its turn, obtained from the Grand Lodge of London the right to institute a Provincial Grand Lodge, which was joined by that of La Chaux-de-Fonds in 1821. Berne joined the "Grand Orient Helvétique Romand" of Lausanne in 1822, and created the National Grand Lodge of Switzerland. Two groups had thus been formed by degrees; on the one hand, the adapted system, with Bale, Zurich and Geneva at its head, and on the other the National Grand Lodge under the influence of the Lodge of Berne. It was with much perseverance and disinterestedness that the latter pursued its aim, viz. the establishment of a Superior Masonic Authority which should include all the Lodges of Switzerland. This aim was attained after a long course of negociations. In 1842 the representatives of 11 Lodges met at Locle and drew up a contract of union which served as a basis for the creation of an independent Swiss National Grand Lodge. In 1844 this Constitutional Pact, after having been thoroughly discussed by the Lodges, was signed at Zurich by 14 Lodges, and Dr. J. J. Hottinger, Professor at the University of Zurich, became the first Grand Master. The Grand Lodge received the name of Alpina. It is from this date that we can really speak of Swiss Freemasonry, which since then has pursued its aims with an ever increasing energy. Berne had evinced a proof of its disinterestedness by favoring the appoinment of Professor Hottinger as Grand Master and consequently the choice of Zurich as the seat of the Alpina. The two groups were thus satisfied and an era of content and concord had arisen for Swiss Freemasonry.

The choice of Professor Hottinger proved an excellent one. The new

Grand Master triumphed over every difficulty by his abilities and his feelings of benevolence. His last words on his death-bed are very characteristic:—"The most beautiful thing of all is charity." By these words he defined in precise terms his appreciation of Freemasonry and marked out the course to be taken by the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina in the future. Charity, in the widest sense of the word, has been the guiding principle for all the Grand Masters and High Dignitaries ever since, and every Lodge has considered it to be an admirable field of activity for itself as well as for its members individually.

Since its creation the Grand Lodge Alpina has undergone several transformations, but always in the direction of progress. A new constitution, which was adopted provisionally in 1874 and definitely in 1879, has produced good results and still gives great satisfaction. The number of Lodges has been increased from 14 to 33—for the most part in French Switzerland. There are now about 3300 members. Perfect concord exists among the Lodges and the relations between the Freemasons in the German and French parts of Switzerland are most fraternal. The Alpina can look forward to the future with joy and confidence.

In order to show that Swiss Freemasonry is not a secret society and that its Lodges constitute but private companies, both the Grand Lodge Alpina and the other Lodges have had their names inscribed in the Swiss Commercial Register, and have deposited their constitutions, statutes, and the lists of their members in the hands of the authorities.—C. F. Hansmann, in Grand Lodge of Switzerland, Alpina, Report.

HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"One of the strange things to me," said the Talkative Brother, "is the frequency with which I run across men who have an ambition to be Masons, but who also have the desire to escape the payment of the regular fee."

"The bargain counter has charms for all human nature," said the Perfecto.

"Sometimes they seem to feel a little hurt at not receiving sympathy in their saving instincts," continued the Talkative Brother, "but unhesitatingly canvass the different ways that their native cunning suggests for avoiding the regulation amount."

"Yes," said the Patriarch; 'I have had them ask me if they could not join a lodge in some of the nearby suburban towns and so get in cheaper."

"I have a suspicion that now and then a short residence in some of these suburbs is utilized in just that way," said the Talkative Brother.

"We must be very careful lest we indulge in unwarranted suspicions," said the Patriarch.

"But recently," pursued the Talkative Brother, "I was talking with an acquaintance, and he expressed the desire to be a Mason. 'Well,' said I, 'I am willing to help you as far as I can.' 'But it costs fifty dollars, doesn't it?' he asked. 'Yes, that is the regular fee for the three degrees, and we never cut them up into single degree lots,' said I. 'That's too much money,' said he. 'That depends on how you look at it,' said I; 'but if you are looking for something cheap there are plenty of other secret societies that are willing to show goods to suit almost any sized pocketbook.' 'I'll wait until a new lodge is formed and go in on the ground floor as a charter member,' said he. 'There is no ground floor in Masonry for people not Masons,' said I, 'and we are not indulging in charter members who are not already Masons.' 'I am told different,' said he. 'Whatever is not true is very different from the statements I am in the habit of making,' said I, feeling rather pleased with myself. 'I can go over to Dakota and join a lodge there,' said he. 'Perhaps,' said I, 'if you go there and live there long enough, and in the meantime they do not find you out.' 'Find me out!' he roared; 'what do you mean by that?' 'I mean,' said I, 'that it is not a good way to appeal to the sympathies of a Mason to ask him to help you defraud the order, for that is exactly what you want done.' 'I don't want to defraud anybody,' said he. 'Yes, you do,' said I, 'for you want to secure the benefits and advantages of Masonry for less than the established price and what it costs the rest of us.' That was a way that he had never looked at it before."

"I am afraid that there are too many," said the Patriarch, "who come up for the express purpose of deceiving the craft—in two ways: First, by offering themselves as material for purposes for which they are by no means fitted; and, second, with the desire, if they do not make the attempt, to avoid paying what is justly due the lodge for benefits conferred."

HOURS OF REFRESHMENT.

While I am a thorough believer in progression, in Masonry as in all of the other walks of life, I yet believe that our progress should be influenced by the lights of the past no less than by those of the present and the future. And when we come to turn the pages of our past history, what do we find? That the hours of refreshment were as carefully observed as the hours of labor. That the social hour was as much a part of the craft meeting as the hour of instruction and work. That dining together, the banquet if you please, was an incident of every communication, and that everything that tended to make for good cheer, true fellowship, sincere friendship, was promoted and encouraged. The pipe and the glass, the song, the merry jest, all found a place in Masonic meetings. —G. W. Warville.

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M. W. Grand Matron Conkling has recovered from a severe illness of some length, caused by typhoid fever.

The Grand Chapter of Washington has returned to the fold after having been independent for several years.

Plymouth Chapter No. 19, O. E. S., will have a sale and chicken pie supper Wednesday afternoon and evening, Dec. 12, at 304 Twentieth avenue north. Supper at 6:30.

Mrs, R. S. Hetherington will entertain the Thimble Bee of Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, at her home, 3441 Park Ave., Friday afternoon, December 14.

Lorraine Social Club will meet Tuesday, Dec. 11, at the home of Sister J. W. Thomas, 28, 12th. St. N.; officers of the club will be elected at this meeting; all members of Lorraine Chapter are urged to be present.

St. Paul Court No. 2, O. of A., will elect officers at its stated meeting Wednesday, Dec. 12; the secretary's report will be read and there will be a number of petitions at this and the January meeting for the class at the February meeting. A full attendance of members is requested.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, had a thimble bee at the home of Virginia Flint last Wednesday with a large attendance. A regular meeting of the Chapter and the annual election of officers will occur Monday night, Dec. 10. Members are urged to be present.

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At its annual meeting last Tuesday, Arcana Chapter, O. E. S., elected the following officers: Luella Fleming, W. M., J. D. Tolman, W. P., Etta Ronald, A. M., Stella White, Sec'y., Ivanette Greenwood, Cond., Mrs. Steadman, A. Cond.

The regular meeting of Lorraine Chapter No. 16, was held last Monday evening; it being the annual meeting reports of the secretary and treaserer were read, and officers elected as follows: Martha Brett Moran, W. M., James Huntington, W. P., Cora F. Wright, A. M., Cora P. McCutchins, Secretary, Mary Tuttle, Treasurer, Kate Willing, Con., Kate Mathews, A. Con.—Mary Tuttle, Cor.

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Winona Chapter No. 5, R. A. M. will elect officers Tuesday 11th. Winona Lodge No. 18, will elect Tuesday, 18th.

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Every member of a Masonic Lodge on receiving notice of meetings should, in case of absence, inform the secretary of the receipt of the notice and the non-resident member should write his lodge words of cheer and remembrance.

The Observer has received from Companion Webster L. Stover of Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., the program of the "3rd. Annual Memorial Services in honor of those Companions Royal Arch Masons who have passed away during the year"; held under the auspices of the R. A. Chapters of Cook County, Illinois, and vicinity; which was held at the Masonic Temple, Chicago, Dec. 2.

Mrs. Cynthia A. Hotchkiss, wife of Bro. E. A. Hotchkiss, 33° Hon., formerly of Minneapolis and Huntley, Minn., now of Pomona, Cal., who recently died at Seattle, was brought to Minneapolis and buried last Thursday in Lakewood Cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. N. Jamieson of Merriam Park, Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, supplying the Pall Bearers. The husband and three daughters, Mrs. Otto Bullis, Seattle, Mrs. Ellis, Des Moines and Mrs. Fitch of Tracy, survive. Bro. Hotchkiss was Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, R. A. M., Minnesota, in 1878.

At the stated communication December 1, Cataract Lodge No. 2, elected the following officers: L. J. Fournie, W. M., Frank J. Meyst, S. W., W. G. Whitcomb, J. W., Geo. H. Tennant, Treasurer and W. H. J. Pearce, Secretary. These officers except the secretary and treasurer who were re-elected were regularly advanced; the installation will take place Thursday, 27th. The F. C. degree will be conferred Tuesday, 18th.

At its stated communication last Monday Ark Lodge No. 176, elected the following officers: L. A. Countryman, W. M., W. H. Germond, S. W., J. C. Lauber, J. W., C. A. Grahn, Treasurer, E. C. Noyes, Secretary, the last two being re-elected, the others advanced. In Brother Countryman the Lodge has the experience which comes of former service, Bro. Countryman having served as W. M. of Appleton No. 137. Installation Monday night, 17th.

MASONIC MOME.

A mass meeting, to which all Master Masons and members of the O. E. S. are invited, will be held in the Commandery Hall, 6th. floor Masonic Temple, Monday night, December 31; there will be addresses from prominent Masons, interspersed with music.

Please keep this date open and come out.

Pursuant to a call issued by Wm. P. Roberts, secretary of the Masonic Home association, a meeting of the committees appointed by the several Masonic bodies in Minneapolis was held at the Masonic Library Saturday night, Dec. 1. Those present were, Brothers Crippen and Elliott, Cataract No. 2, and Darius No. 7; J. G. Houghton and B. C. Boneau, Hennepin No. 4; C. E. Ovenshire, Minneapolis No. 19; Fred. Webber, W. H. Crilley and Geo. Myer, Khurum No. 112; Thos. Allen and E. Gunderson, No. 165; F. B. Messer and A. C. Weamer, No. 178; W. H. Ronald, J. D. Tolman and A. J. Morrell, No. 187; J. H. Johnson, Minnesota, No. 224; A. H. Nash, Albert Pike, No. 237; Wm. Tweedie, Saint Johns Chapter No. 9; L. A. Countryman, Ark Chapter, No. 53; Geo. E. Warner, Minneapolis Council No. 2; C. G. Laybourn, C. A. Nimocks and W. C. Myers, Mounted Commandery No. 23; Wm. Hartley and Hugh Marchbank, the Scottish Rite Bodies. J. G. Houghton was elected chairman and Wm P. Roberts, secretary, after which there was a general discussion of the question of the Masonic Home, all being heartily in favor of the project, and it was decided to call a mass meeting of the Masons and members of the Order of the Eastern Star, and the chairman was authorized to appoint three, who with himself and secretary Roberts, should constitute a committee to arrange the time, place and program for the meeting. The committee consisting of J. G. Houghton, Wm. P. Roberts, C. E. Ovenshire, W. C. Allen and W. A. Elliott, held a meeting last Wednesday and selected the place and date named at the head of this article. It is hoped that there will be a very large attendance.

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Wardens and Brethren of Minnesota Lodge No. 224: Following custom I will submit a few brief remarks on the principal features of our history as a lodge during the past year. A new year for us as a Lodge is about to be ushered in. Tonight a new corps of officers will be elected fully equipped to lead our lodge to greater heights of brotherly love and charity than we have yet reached. One year ago tonight you conferred on me the great honor of being your Worshipful Master; for that honor I shall always be deeply indebted to the members of this lodge. With this honor have come duties and responsibilities and whatever my short comings, or failures may have been I have tried to be faithful to you and execute those duties to the best of my ability.

The year has been a congenial harmonous and prosperous one; we have increased in membership by a very healthful development. We had on Jan. 1st 1906, 279 members; we have raised 20, affiliated 6, making a total 26, and have 12 to take final degrees which will bring the total to more than 300.

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ers are numbered with the dead; Brothers Stanton, Fisk and Carroll, have ascended to that celestial Lodge where our Supreme Grand Master forever reigns.

The first half of the year or up to July, we had an unusual good attendance at our meetings; we have been handicaped since by the unusual length of time required or taken in redecorating the lodge rooms, necessarily preventing the conferring of degrees and not having that regularity of meetings I could have desired. We have a very fine lodge hall and hope the beautifying may encourage our membership to look in on us often during the coming year.

I want to thank the present officers for the splendid support they have given me in the work this year; especially the Wardens, Secretary and Treasurer, whom I have had to call on for special favors. I am also indebted to Past Masters Henry R. Adams, Jos. H. Johnson and C. D. Gould, who have kindly furnished entertainment when ever called upon and have been with us on numerous occasions the past year.

I also want to thank Bros. Bush and Dempsie who have devoted a great number of hours to the members of Minnesota lodge by posting and lectures.

I have not been able to make the number of calls on sick brothers I have desired but hope these brethren are aware of my inability because of business duties to call frequently, as well as their cases being laid before the lodge at all meetings whenever known.

Finally my Brethren, in relinguishing the gavel to my successor, I will say that I regret my health was not such that I might have served you better, but your great forebearance in my shortcomings as well as universal Brotherly kindness extended to me have interwoven that bond of Brotherly love and friendship which I pray may last through all time. I want to urge one and all to try and make Minnesota Lodge 224, felt as the Family Lodge of Minneapolis, always standing loyally by each other, overlooking any slights or slurs and insisting on the justice due each Brother for his betterment. Let our influence live after us and bring good fortune to the lodge.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Zion's next K. T. card and dancing party will occur Thursday, Dec. 13.

Read the advertisements in the Observer carefully. You will find what you are looking for here.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, conferred the Mark Master degree on one and the Past and Most Excellent on five last Thursday night.

Don't forget that Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, will confer the Royal Arch degree, Monday night, 17th; work will begin in the afternon.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, annual election of officers at next stated, Tuesday Dec. 11; the Worshipful Master desires a large attendance.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224 will confer the Master Mason degree on two candidates next Tuesday night, 11th., the work commencing promptly at 7:30.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, annual Past Masters' Night, Wednesday, 12th. This notice should draw out every resident member. Visitors always welcome.

Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., closed the work of the week with the initiation of a large class. The Observer goes to press to early for particulars.

Khurum Lodge will hold its annual election Friday night, 14th., it is hoped that there will be a full attendance of resident members. This lodge conferred the E. A. degree last Friday night.

The summing up and lecture which Henry Deutsch delivers to the Rose Croix class at the close of the 17th. degree always attracts a number who are not disappointed in their expectations of hearing something good.

Plymouth Lodge No. 160, at the last stated communication elected the following: Geo. W. Armstrong, W. M., J. B. Fairweather, S. W., Frank M. Acker, J. W., J. O. Weld, Treas., Geo. W. Hall, Secy.; installation will take place at the stated communication, Monday, 17th.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, annual election Wednesday night, 12th. Every resident member should arrange his affairs so as to be present at this, the most important meeting of the year. Non-resident members should write the Secretary a few words of good cheer for the brethren.

Anchor Chapter No. 67, Royal Arch Masons, at its stated convocation last Monday, elected the following officers: J. D. Tolman, H. P., I. E. Martin, K., W. A. Gulick, S., H. A. Sauer, Treas., Dan C. Brown, Sec., G. B. Phelps, C. of H., F. A. Woodruff, P. S., C. W. Forsyth, R. A. C.

F. E. Watkins, Cleveland O., H. F. Slocumb, Winona, L. G. Hoffman and Bro. Bannister, St. Paul, Minn., Thos. W. Lane, Aberdeen, S. D., Frank G. Shurman, Chicago, Geo. T. Street, Binghampton, N. Y., and W. H. G. Gibbs, St. Paul, were visitors at the Scottish Rite reunion last week.

Lieut. Grand Commander, Col. Sam. E. Adams addressed the class briefly Thursday night urging them to carry home and carry with them into everyday life the lessons they had been taught, assuring them that the lessons would or ought to make them better men and thus better and more patriotic citizens.

The Scottish Rite reunion at Minneapolis last week was very successful although the class was small—15 in the Lodge Perfection, 14 in the Chapter Rose Croix and 12 in the Preceptory and Consistory. The work was well done, attendance good and the candidates of that high character for which this body is especially noted.

Zion Commandery stated conclave Tuesday night, second dancing and card party Thursday night; your attendance at both is desired. Preparations are being made for the Christmas Observance; come out and learn what is being done. A special conclave was held and the Order of the Temple conferred on one last Thursday night.

Darius Commandery No. 7, K. T., will hold its annual re-union for members only, on Friday night, 14th. This will be in the nature of a hand-shaking jollification without any set speeches, but there will be music and a little touch of vaudeville, and perhaps a sandwich and cigar.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, had a largely attended stated communication last Tuesday night; after completing the regular order of business Worshipful Master Foster delivered the annual address, after which the Lodge proceeded to elect its officers for the ensuing year with the following result: L. N. McWhorter, Worshipful Master, R. B. Hazard, Senior Warden, Irvin P. Jones, Junior Warden, W. H. Gould, Treasurer and V. H. Stough, Secretary; the first two officers were advanced from the lower stations and the J. W. from Senior Deacon, and the other two retained, which is a well merited recognition of faithful service.

The W. M. elect is the assistant superintendent of the Central High School and a man of ability; the S. W. elect is well known head of Hazard's teacher's agency and a man of executive ability; the J. W. elect is the telephone operator at Police Headquarters and has demonstrated his ability as a worker in the lodge during the past year. The remaining officers will be appointed and installation will take place after the regular business at the stated communication, Tuesday, Dec. 18, at which time it is hoped that all resident members will be in attendance.

Past Masters Johnson and Gould of this lodge and Sulllivan, Ferguson and Higgins, now members of this lodge, were among the notables present. Elsewhere we publish the address and portrait of Worshipful Master Chauncey E. Foster.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, at a special last Tuesday night conferred the Fellow Craft degree upon ten candidates; Brothers Chesher, Braden and Edgerton were in the stations and the floor work was in the hands of competent workers; the Minnesota Quartet and Prof. Gilbert rendered the musical program. The attendance was fair; the only visitor registered was Geo. W. Bester, Minnehaha, 165, but we saw Past Master Washburn of Khurum in the East.

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AN OFFERING.

An offering to the sons of men
In earth around we see,
Where bounteous nature spreads her feast—
Her font so full and free.

The flowers bloom and fragrance bear,
The birds with notes that trill
In symphony and melody
The hearts of men to thrill.

The glint of sunlights sparkling glow,
The breezes gentle sigh,
The falling rain, the fragrant dew,
The brooklets flowing by,

The stars that gleam in heavens vault,
And "gem nights radiant brow,"
All speak in tones of cheer and hope,
All rich with promise now.

So let good will and friendship true
Like sunshine fall around;
Let tender pity—mercy mild
Free as the air abound.

To radiate from every soul,
Let humble kindness show
How faith and hope, and joy and peace
From every heart may glow.

And that true royal secret learn,
It's wisdom thou must scan,
'Twill hold thee faithful on thy way
To help thy fellow man.

And that diviner precept hear,
From God's own word a gem,
"As ye would that men should do to you,
Do even so to them."

A Gospel pure of charity
Comes to us from above.
Our hearts shall be its temple place—
The earth a heaven of love.

—Asa Foster Smith.

REVIEW OF PROCEEDINGS OF GRAND BODIES.

Grand Lodge of Colorado, 46th Annual, Denver, September 18 and 19, 1906. Arthur Edgar Jones, Grand Master, Charles H. Jacobson, Grand Secretary. Number of Lodges, 107; number of members, 11,501; gain, 508. Grand Lodge of Alberta was recognized Corner stones were laid as follows: Simon Guggenheim Hall of the Colorado School of Mines at Golden, Henry Plummer School of Manual Training at Idaho Springs. Masonic Temple at Ft. Morgan. The following resolutions regarding the prerogatives of Grand Lodges were presented, to be acted upon at the next annual: "Resolved, That it is the exclusive right of a Grand Lodge to practice Masonic Rites and govern the craft within its Jurisdistion. Second. The recognition of other Grand Lodges involves as a part of the Masonic compact: 1st. That the Grand Lodge so recognized is the only Masonic sovereign power in that territory; 2nd, That the Grand Lodge so recognized is regular, and that the Grand Lodge so recognizing it will not recognize any other Grand Lodge within such territory, and that it will assist such recognized Grand Lodge to maintain its exclusive jurisdiction and will not affiliate with or recognize as Masons, either persons or bodies disputing the authority of such Grand Lodge."

Grand Lodge of Delaware, 101st Annual, Wilmington, October 3 and 4, 1906.—Robert K. Stephenson, Grand Master, Benamin F. Bartram, Grand Secretary. Number of Lodges, 22; membership, 2,772, an increase of 104. We quote from the address of the Retiring Grand Master, Levin Irving Handy: "The real seat of Masonic interest is in the Subordinate Lodges. The older members of the Grand Lodge, who have been coming here for many years, have a natural attachment for the Grand Lodge as such; but I believe it is true that no Mason will long keep a true and warm interest in Masonic matters if he neglects his Subordinate Lodge, attends none of its meetings and gets out of touch with its membership. Our Masonic obligations were taken at the altar of a Subordinate Lodge, and it is by gathering around that same altar that we are most likely to preserve their binding effect on mind and conscience. It was in a Subordinate Lodge that we first observed the chaste beauty of Masonic symbols, and there that we first heard the lofty principles of right living which Masonry inculcates. It is by regular attendance at the Subordinate Lodge that the light by which Masons work and live may most surely continue to shine and illuminate our minds and make plain the path of duty. You have been instructed before from this Grand East concerning the evils of non-affiliation, and I now call your attention to a sort of legalized non-affiliation. It is the condition of the Mason who is affiliated in form and non-affiliated in fact. His name remains on the list, but his person does not appear in the lodge room. He pays his dues—Masonic dues are always and properly light—but he pays no attention to Masonic duty. Every now and then he comes to Lodge on election night because he has been summoned, and possibly he wears a Masonic emblem in the hope that some brother may note it and thereby he may receive the benefit of Masonic love and confidence. That is something he is still ready to receive, although he no longer has any of it to give. He is non-affiliated in everything except in name, and all of the evils of non-affiliation surround Masonry such as his. Affiliation means more than mere payment of dues. It means an interest in Masonry and in brother Masons, and it demands attention to the affairs of the Subordinate Lodge."

Grand Lodge of Washington, 49th Annual, Spokane, June 12, 1906. Edward Franklin Waggoner, Grand Master, Horace Walter Tyler, Grand Secretary. Chartered lodges, 137; lodges U. D., 8. Total membership, 9880; gain, 883. Decisions of interest: 8. "The W. M. of a Lodge may call to the East any M. M., and permit him to preside while the Master remains in the room"; 9. "Not more than one candidate can be taken through the first section of the third degree at the same time;" 13. "Where a Masonic offense has been committed within the territorial jurisdiction of a Lodge, that Lodge has a right to try the offending Mason for violation of the Masonic law, although he may be a member of another jurisdiction." Corner stones were laid as follows: Masonic Temple at Aberdeen, Knights of Pythias hall at Waitsburg, Federal

Building at Seattle, Masonic Temple at Walla Walla, Central Christian Church Building at Walla Walla, Court House at Waterville. Progress was made during the year towards a Masonic Home. Resolution was presented, to be passed upon at the next annual communication, recognizing the legitimacy of M. Ms. made in Lodges of the A. A. S. R. in countries where that is the dominant Rite. Special mention made of the death of Bro. T. M. Reed, for 47 years a grand officer of the Grand Lodge. Notice was received of the recognition of the G. L. of Washington by that of Delaware.

Grand Lodge West Virginia, forty-second anual Nov. 14th. and 15th.; officers elected and installed: Tom G. Strickler, G. M., James A. Bryan, D. G. M., Emmitt M. Showalter, S. G. W., Frank W. Clarke, J. .G. W., Samuel N. Myers, G. T., Hiram R. Howard, G. Secretary, J. M. McConihay, G. L., J. H. Gibbons, G. C., H. B. Baguley, S. G. D., W. Stokes, J. G. D., J. D. Baines, G. M., D. K. Reed, G. P., W. H. Rose G. T. Number of members 11,006, gain for the year, 883. The following resolution was passed and promulgated: Resolved, That from and after the adoption of this resolution, those persons who in the future shall be engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors, except for medicinal or mechanical purposes, shall be considered ineligible for initiation or affiliation in any lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Any member of any Lodge in this jurisdiction who shall hereafter engage in the sale of intoxicating liquors, except for medicinal or mechanical purposes, shall be guilty of un-masonic conduct, and it shall be the duty of the Junior Warden of such Lodge to prefer charges against any such member, and upon trial and conviction thereof, the Lodge shall expel such member; but it is understood that this resolution shall not be retroactive.

The Grand Master of the Grand Council R. & S. M. of Illinois, Albert T. Hey, has issued an "encyclical" which Grand Recorder Gil. W. Barnard has issued in attractive form, in which he announces that the State has been divided into nine Arches. Each Council is to be visited and inspected at least once during the year, the R. & S. M. degree always to be worked in full, including the lectures; the Super Excellent Degree, when conferred to be in full. The 53d annual assembly was held Oct. 24.

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THE CRYPTIC RITE.

And The Masonic Home.

To the cryptic rite in this state is due the credit for the first official action relating to the building of a Masonic Home.

The Grand Master in his address to the Grand Council, R. & S. M., October 9, 1905, said: "I would recommend to every Mason of the cryptic rite, in this grand jurisdiction, that they work in harmony with the other Masonic bodies in case steps are taken towards the erection of a home for aged Masons, their widows and orphans." This recommendation was referred to a special committee which reported as follows: "Your special committee to whom was referred that part of the address of the Grand Master relating to a Masonic Home, recommend that the Grand Master be authorized to appoint a committee of three to act in conjunction with a like committee from other Masonic bodies, whenever such committees shall be appointed."

The Grand Lodge, at its annual communication, Jan. 18, 1906, having authorized the appointment of a committee and that committee having incorporated an association for the purpose of erecting a Home, the Cryptic Rite was the first to act in a substantian manner. This time it was Minneapolis Council No. 2 which came to the front with an appropriation of $50.00, the first appropriation for the first membership, from a Masonic body or individual, which was immediately paid over to secretary William P. Roberts.

Several months ago we published in this paper an article on Scottish Rite Masonry at the head of which was a cut of the American flag with the statement: "This flag floats in every body of the rite in this country." Several Masonic publications commented upon this as if we had written "in every lodge". Among others Bro. Aldro Jenks of Wisconsin offered some criticism, saying: "Let us be content to remain the same kind of Masons that our fathers were before us instead of seeking out new fads and innovations." To which Past Grand Master Silas B. Wright, Florida, replies: "Just how far back he will go to find 'the Masonry of our fathers' is a query. The use of the National Flag of the respective countries by Masonic Lodges dates prior to the organization of the Grand Lodge of England."

Red Wing Lodge No. 8, entertained 150 at a recent "Social Evening."

THE EASTERN STAR.

A chapter, O. E. S., has been instituted at Melrose, Minn.

Stars of Le Sueur, Minn., recently entertained with minstrels and a children's operetta.

Ladies should call and inspect Mrs. A. L. Vrooman's latest importations, at 7 South Sixth street.

Canton 85, Minn., gave an annual "Childrens Night" at which members and their families were present.

St. Paul Court No. 2, O. of A. elected its officers last Wednesday; the official roster will be published next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Brooks were recently the recipients of a set of solid silver spoons from the Stars of Austin, Minn.

Mistletoe Court No. 1, Order of the Amaranth, held its annual meeting last Thursday night and re-elected all the officers except that Wm. H. Kirk was elected Royal Patron, and Dolly Taylor, Secretary. Installation in February.

George A. Brown and wife, Eldora M., U. D. members of Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, in 1874, now residing in Seattle, are members of Seattle Chapter U. D., which was instituted and officers installed by Grand Chapter, Oct. 11. Mrs. Brown is Chaplain of the new Chapter.

At the last regular meeting of Minnehaha Chapter the following officers were elected: Miss Anna F. Partridge, W. M. Mr. A. A. Baker, W. P., Mrs. Daza Meneilley A. M., Miss Mary E. Palmes, Sec., Mrs. Eva Stranahan Treas., Mrs. Mae Bester Cond., Mrs. Adelia Solverson A. Cond.

At the annual meeting of Palestine Chapter No. 112, O. E. S. the following officers were elected: Dolly Taylor, Worthy Matron, Edwin Wanous, Worthy Patron; Mattie Ungerer, Associate Matron, Mary C. Taylor, Secretary, Adelaide Price, Treasurer, Clara Haas, Conductress, Mamie Boneau, Associate Conductress.

Harmony Chapter No. 8, elected the following: Mrs. Georgie Lowe, W. M., Mr. Ed. Comstock, Jr., W. P. Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, A. M., Mrs. Abbie L. Townsend, Sec., Mrs. Abbie Pearce, Treas., Mrs. Ethel West, Con. Mrs. Margaret Friend, A. Con. There will be a special meeting Thursday evening for work. Mrs. E. Davis who has been sick at a hospital is recovering and at home.

Martha Chapter, No. 132, O. E. S., held its annual turkey supper, Tues-

day evening Dec. 4. Supper was served at six and over eighty Star members partook of the bountiful feast. At the Chapter meeting the following officers were elected: Mrs. Georgia Goss, W. M., Mr. O. F. Warnes, W. P., Mrs. Gertrude Greenwald, A. M., Miss Marie DeGraff, Sec'y., Mrs. Mary Miller, Treas., Mrs. Mary Hilton, Cond., Miss Blanche Craig, A. Cond.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9, elected its officers last Monday evening with the following result: Worthy Matron, Louise Lyon Johnson, Worthy Patron, Dr. Geo. W. Dysinger, Associate Matron, Sarah Archibald, Secretary, Mary E. R. McGuire, Treasurer, A. Elizabeth Hummel, Conductress, Susie Armstrong, Associate Conductress, Josephine Lucker.

A vote was taken to have the installation a public one. The address of the worthy matron showed the chapter to be in a most flourishing condition, socially and financially. W. G. P., W. F. Kirk was a visitor, also his wife sister Edna Kirk W. M. of Harmony Chapter, both of whom spoke enaertainingly congratulating the Chapter on its prosperity and the fraternal spirit existing.

The thimble bees have been "called off" for the Holiday season. The next regular meeting will be held Dec. 24, Christmas eve. As the Chapter is preparing for a large class to be initiated at a "special" on New Years eve, this meeting will be of importance. The last thimple bee of the season will be at the home of sister Cora M. Bowler, 1516 West 26th St. This will be in the nature of a pre-holiday jollification at which some delightful fun-provoking innovations are promised. Each sister will contribute a package —just a joke you know—which will be properly disposed of. The date is Wednesday, Dec. 19.—M. E. R. McGuire. Cor.

Lorraine Social Club met with the past worthy grand matron, Mrs. Thomas, last Tuesday afternoon. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. President, Mary Tuttle, Vice-Pres. Martha Dagget, Secretary, Kate Matthews, Treasurer, Florence Schonebuam, Press Cor. Martha Moran. A committee, consisting of Madames Shepherd, Moran and Dockery, were appointed to draw up a Constitution and By-Laws for the Club. The Club voted to send a Christmas dinner to a poor Mason's widow and family; they further voted to help this widow pay her doctor's bills. Mrs. Thomas herself, donating five dollars to this cause.—Martha Brett Moran, Cor.

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No great art, no really effective ethical teaching can come from any but such as know immeasurably more than they will attempt to communicate.
—Coventry Patmore.

A YOUTHFUL W. M.

Miss Genie Story, whom Montesano, Wash., chapter has honored by tendering her the highest elective office in the order, is probably the youngest worthy matron of the Eastern Star in the state of Washington, if not on the Pacific coast, she being not yet 21 years of age. While Miss Story was born in Groton, South Dakota, in the territorial days, she may be considered a daughter of the Evergreen state, having lived here nearly all her life. She is a graduate of Montesano High school, class of '04, and has had the finishing touches given her education at Providence academy, Olympia, and Berkeley university, California. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Story of this city, both of whom are prominent in Masonic circles, and is one of the most attractive and popular young ladies in Montesano.

The editor of the Observer knew the young lady in her infancy and is pleased with her preferment.



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These bodies have a combined membership of over 4300, and each member is entitled to a copy of the Observer free. The Observer is mailed every Saturday. Any delays in receiving the paper should be reported. Changes in addresses, giving the old as well as the new, should be made promptly. Our Telephone is T. C. No. 3819. Office 215 Masonic Temple.

A large part of our columns will be devoted to the annual elections next week.

Grand Master Scudder of New York has been elected a Judge of the Supreme Court.

Grand Secretary Edward M. L. Ehlers of New York rounded the quarter century mark of service Dec. 8.

Porterville Lodge No. 303, California, conferred the Master Mason degree, Dec. 8, on a father and his four sons.

Recent legislation by the Grand Lodge of California empowers lodges to expend not to exceed ten per cent per annum of funds received, for entertainment, and that officers elect of subordinate lodges will be required, previous to installation, to produce certificates of qualification in the degrees; the Senior Warden in the first and second degree and the lecture, and the Junior Warden in the first degree and the lecture.

We suggest to brethren of the Masonic Press that there is not enough optimism in their editorials. Look pleasant, please.

It is believed that a member of a Masonic lodge in Waukegan, Ill., is the tallest Mason in the world. He stands six feet six inches in his stockings and weighs 250 pounds.

A writer in the Masonic Sun says that Robert Burns was made a Royal Arch Mason at Eyemouth May 19, 1787; the minutes show that while his companions paid one Guinea admission dues, on account of Robert Burns' remarkable poetical genius, the encampment unanimously agreed to admit him gratis, and considered themselves honored by having a man of such shining abilities for one of their companions."

"Impressed with the idea that these is much yet to learn about Freemasonry, and believing that great satisfaction and benefit will come from a study of what is written concerniug the Order, the Scottish Rite Bodies of Duluth have undertaken the expense and responsibility of providing a Masonic Library for the Masons of every degree."

The Observer wishes the brethren success, and as they want "Masonic Periodicals, of some repute," the Library has been placed on our mailing list.

Exceeding in interesting features all previous anniversary observances, although the lodge has had several notable celebrations, the Lodge of St. Andrews, A. F. and A. M. had another red letter day added to its history Nov. 30 on the observance of its 150th anniversary in Corinthian Hall, Masonic Temple Boston, before about 400 distinguished members.

This is the smallest as well as one of the oldest and wealthiest lodges in the State. There are only 21 members.

The celebration was brought to a close in the evening by a sumptuous banquet at the Algonqnin Club. Winthrop Wetherbee, master of the lodge, presided.

In the afternoon the Most Worshipful J. Albert Blake, grand master of Masons in Massachusetts, and suite, were received. Subsequently a historical address was delivered by the Rev. John Cuckson, followed by the reading of an original poem by Robert M. Greene.

The lodge's charter was granted by the Grand Lodge of Scotland under date of Nov. 30, 1756, and was the cause of a long-standing dissension between St. Andrew's and St. John's Lodges, then in existence about 23 years.

The controversy reached a crisis in 1762, when it was brought to the attention of the Grand Lodge of Scotland by St. Andrew's Lodge, which took that name because the charter was granted on St. Andrew's day.

In response to this the Scottish Grand Lodge declared that all the grand lodges had jurisdiction in common in the American colonies. This practically ended the controversy, although it smouldered for some time after.

The famous Green Dragon Tavern was where the first meetings were held, and the site of that hostelry is in the possession of the lodge to this day. During revolutionary times this lodge was accused of being the headquarters of traitors but this sentiment was soon eradicated.—Boston Ideas.

"You never mention a thing in your very valuable paper about our Lodge in one of the finest and best suburbs of Minneapolis, Car every 30 minutes and we expect to have a more frequent Car in the Spring but we make Masons and good ones too out here at Robbinsdale, the name of our Lodge is Compass No. 265. and we meet 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month and our officers are George E. Swift, W. M., F. M. Libby, S. W., Eugene Forsaith, J. W., and John V. Ruble, Sec.

Come out and see us and we will be pleased to have you or any other brother from the City to visit us."

[The Observer will be glad to publish items weekly from this and every Masonic Lodge in the State if the secretaries or others will send them.]

MASONIC MOME.

A mass meeting, to which all Master Masons and members of the O. E. S. are invited, will be held in the Commandery Hall, 6th. floor Masonic Temple, Monday night, December 31; there will be addresses from prominent Masons, interspersed with music.

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Secretary Wm. P. Roberts informs us that several Masonic Bodies in the state have followed the lead of Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., and appropriated funds for memberships.

Brother Ed. Kingsbury, Clifford No. 315, Clifford, Ontario. was a caller last Thursday; he is on his way home from a trip into Manitoba and British Columbia.

In every Society distinctions of rank are necessary to preserve subordination, and Freemasonry recognizes this necessity in her own policy. But rank and power are after all often accidents, and while those who possess them have a greater responsibility laid upon them, they may or may not live the truly beautiful life. But as in a building, the stone that is the most beautiful and ornamental, upon which the eye most loves to linger, is the one that has been longest under the skillful workman's hand, strictly fashioned according to the most accurate pattern, cut first with one sharp tool and then another, fitted so exactly to its fellows that a line of demarcation is scarcely visible; so the life that most beautifies, adorns and exalts the Masonic temple, is the life of years well spent, of talents faithfully used, of opportunities for good works readily embraced, of temptations stoutly resisted, of troubles resolutely faced, of difficulties manfully surmounted, of sorrows bravely and patiently borne. Be it in king or peasant, in learned scholar or simple working man, there can be no grander life than this, and may it ever be the aim of every Freemason.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

A Shrine Fez would be an acceptable Christmas present. Price $3.00. Wendell & Greenwood, 307 Hennepin Ave.

Zion Commandery parties are being well attended and are most delightful. Every member should attend at least one of the series.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & M., stated assembly and work Friday night. There will be the usual lunch and good-felowship time. Come out.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, will hold its annual meeting and election of officers, Wednesday night, 19th. There should be a full attendance of members.

Ark Lodge No. 176, will install officers to-night, 17th., and the annual reports of the officers will be read. All resident members should be present in order to learn of the work of the year.

The annual election of Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, was held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 11, and the following officers were duly elected: L. R. Ellis, W. M., B. A. Sandy, S. W., W. N. Hughes, J. W., Thos. Cox, Treas., H. S. Goff, Sec. and W. G. Stranahan, Trustee. Installation of officers will take place on Thursday evening, Dec. 27. Members please take notice.

The Commanderies will observe Christmas by the usual ceremonies in their Asylums.

Zion No. 2, has issued invitations to all members, their families and sojourning Sir Knights. Ceremonies will comence promptly at 11 a. m., and at Zion will consist of the usual toasts and responses and an address by Rev. James Montgomery.

Arcana Lodge No. 187 re-elected and installed the following officers last Monday night: W. H. Ronald, W. M.; H. A. Sauer, S. W.; W. A. Gulick, J. W.; H. H. Thompson, Treas.; John D. Tolman, Sec. A just recognition of worth. Arcana's new temple is enclosed and work progressing satisfactorily; one store has been leased and negotiations are pending for the other.

At its annual communication last Wednesday Hennepin Lodge No. 4, elected the following officers: Henry W. Smollett, Worshipful Master, Horace M. Weston, Senior Warden, Gus. S. Nelson, Junior Warden, Wm. P. Roberts, Treasurer, Jesse H. Wakeman, Secretary. The two last are re-elections, the others well deserved advancements. We expect to publish the annual report next week. Installation will take place Wednesday 26th.

No lady will attend the Shrine annual at Los Angeles without a White Fez. Wendell & Greenwood, 307 Hennepin Ave.

Nicholas Cory Cox, father of Mrs. Geo. C. Stiles of 2626 Irving Ave. S., died at that place last Thursday and was buried at Lakewood Saturday afternoon, funeral services being conducted by Hennepin Lodge No. 4, A. F. & A. M. Brother Cox was a member of Century Lodge No. 100, South Orange, New Jersey, of which he had been Worshipful Master for many years. He came to Minneapolis very recently. Death was caused by paralysis. He was 74 years of age.

Khurum Lodge No. 112, elected officers last Friday night; too late for this issue. This Lodge will hold its annual Past Masters' Night next Friday night, 7:30, at which the Master Mason degree will be conferred by following officers: Clayton R. Cooley, W. M., George H. Daggett, S. W., Samuel B. Washburn, J. W., Alphonzo O. Hoyt, Treas., David W. Knowlton, Secy.; Hugh B. Marchbank, S. D., George W. Stiles, J. D., Richard A. Mabey, S. S., Augustus J. Switzer, J. S., James Elwin, Chaplain, George A. Todd, Marshal, John H. Abbott, Tyler. Refreshments will be served.

J. H. Hill, a pioneer resident of Richfield, Minn., died at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Kitchen, Monday, Dec. 10, and was buried at Richfield on the 12th, the services being conducted by the Pastor of All Saints Church, Minneapolis, and representatives of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, of which deceased was a member. Brother Hill was born in New York eighty-four years ago and had been an invalid for many years. He was initiated June 19, 1871, passed Dec. 30, 1872 and raised Jan. 26, 1873, in Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, his register number being 233; the last number on the register is 1933, an increase of 1700 since he became a member.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will install officers Tuesday night, 18th. Senior Grand Warden, William P. Roberts, will officiate. All resident members should be present.

This Lodge raised two at a special last Tuesday night, completing the degree work for the year. There was a fair attendance, seventy remaining to partake of a lunch prepared by senior warden elect Hazard. The Minnesota Quartet was present and added to the interest of the work and pleasures of the feast. Visitors registered: Otto Krieg, 311 and L. A. Sanders, 819, Chicago; F. J. Thomas, 178, H. C. Strelow, A. W. Strelow and L. G. Fuller, 2 Minnesota; F. A. Walker, 60, Ohio; L. T. Sutherland, 58, Montana, and Geo. R. Record, Peterborough, 155, Canada.

The Past Masters' annual of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, was a success. It would be impossible to get together an equal number of past officers of any body in the city who could do the work so well; then too, the accessories of music parapharnalia, attendance—over 300—and full dress. Democratic as we are we like full dress, in others, on such occasions. Worshipful Master Pray has reason to be proud of the showing made by his Lodge at the close of his year. The musical program was rendered by the Masonic Quartet and S. C. Gilbert. Visitors were numerous, among them were: Wm. P. Roberts, grand senior warden, Worshipful Masters McCuskey, 160 Allen, 176 and Feudner, 237 and Past Masters Washburn 112, Houghton, 4, and Ferguson. President Erdmann of the Acacia club and many city and foreign visitors expressed themselves as being delighted with the work and especially the lectures.

Alley Lodge No. 14, Upper Mills, New Brunswick, celebrated its 50th anniversary, Oct. 25.

Alley lodge was first opened on August 5, 1855, under a dispensation issued by the provincial grand master at Halifax, Hon. Alex. Keith. It was formally constituted in 1856, under a warrant issued by the grand lodge of England, of which the earl of Zetland was grand master at the time. The ceremony of institution was performed by Past Master William H. Smith of Union lodge, Milltown, from which lodge Alley drew most of its original members. Rex. M. King was the first worshipful master installed, and John Prescott and Edward Towers, the first wardens. Union lodge surrendered its charter a few years later, and Alley lodge, Upper Mills, became the Masonic home of most of the Milltown Masons, until the organization of Victoria lodge in 1870.

Brother J. L. Brown of Cataract Lodge No. 2, was made a Mason in this Lodge in 1872.

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Monticello Lodge No. 16, will celebrate its 50th, anniversary Jan. 7.

AMONG THE WORKERS.

Fidelity Lodge No. 39, recently gave an entertainment consisting of music and recitations.

A Lodge of Perfection, Khurum No. 3., of the A. A. S. R., was instituted at Sioux Falls, S. D., Nov. 24.

The Scottish Rite bodies of Aberdeen, S. D., will hold their mid-winter convocation in January, beginning on the 14th, and lasting four days.

Grand Master Morris made an official visit to Crookston No. 141, Dec. 10; he was a visitor at Mt. Tabor No. 106, and Fosston No. 206 recently.

Osakis Lodge No. 180, Minn., elected the following: G. R. Babbitt, W. M., M. A. Earle, S. W., W. H. Crowe, J. W., F. H. Borchert, Secy., J. B. Johnson, Treas.

Braden Lodge No. 168, conferred the Master Mason degree at a special last Thursday. The Braden Quartet sang the musical numbers and refreshments were served. The annual communication will be held Thursday night, 20th.

The Scottish Rite bodies of Louisville, Ky., as is their annual custom, will hold open house January1 from 2 uutill 5 p. m., last January there were 2000 present; any regular Mason from entered apprentice up is invited.

Wyandotte Lodge No. 3, Kansas City, Kan., the oldest lodge in the state, its charter being granted by the G. L. of Missouri in 1854, lost its old charter in a recent fire. Many of the original members of this lodge were Indians.

The Masonic Lodge at Canton, S. D., will celebrate St. Johns Day, Dec. 27, according to annual custom. We notice that Past Grand Masters O. S. Gifford and Lewis James are members of the committee from which we think that "razzle dazzle" will be one of the features.

King David Lodge No. 179, A. F. & A. M; Elmore, Minn., has elected the following officers: O. C. Dorothy, W. M., A. C. Stolte, S. W., A. H. McCoy, J. W., G. A. Taylor, Treasurer, W. A. Bruss, Secretary.

Installation will be held Dec. 27, to which the families of the masonic brethren are invited. A musical and literary program will be given and a banquet spread after the ceremonies.

Brother G. L. Morrill has a new book just from the press, "A Musical Minister." Those who have read and enjoyed his "Tracks of a Tenderfoot", "Morrill's Musings" and "People's Pulpit", will find new delights and entertainment in this. "A Musical Minister" is profusely illustrated by Ada B. Morrill and Lowell L. Morrill. Tnis book—the price is only $1.00—would make an excellent Christmas present. Address G. L. Morrill, 3356 10th Ave. S.

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Carmel Lodge of Perfection No. 1 (St. P.)
Lorraine Chapter 16, Mpls.
Mistletoe Chapter O. E. S. No. 96 (St. Paul.)

SPECIAL.

St. John's Chapter No. 9 (Mpls.). Work in R. A. degree.

TUESDAY EVENING.

STATED.

Triune No. 190, St. Paul.
Mizpah 191 (St. P.)
Capital City No. 217, St. Paul.
Minnesota Lodge No. 224 (Mpls). Installation of Officers.
St. John's Chap. 9, Mas. Tem., 6th floor. Annual Election.
Summit Chap. 45 (St. P.) Endicott bldg.
Arcana Chap. O. E. S. No. 38, 2221 Cen. N. E.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

STATED.

Minnesota 19, Mas. Tem., 6th floor. Annual Election.
Albert Pike 237 (Hopkins).
De Molai Council, Knights Kadosh (St. P.)

THURSDAY EVENING

STATED

Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
Montgomery 258 (St. Paul.)
A. E. Ames Council. (Minneapolis)

FRIDAY EVENING.

STATED.

Minnesota Council No. 2, Mas. Tem., 6 dr. Degrees conferred in full form.
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AN EDITOR BECOMES A SHRINER.

Editor Wells of The Litchville N. D. Bulletin was one of the novices at the recent Shrine meeting. What the boys did to him was some. His story of the affair in this week's Bulletin is as follows:

Last Thursday evening The Bulletin man, in company with forty other innocents, were introduecd to and became well acquainted with the mystic Shrine, that well-known and cultured institution of learning located at Fargo and loved and revered by all who have a speaking acquaintance with it. This vast caravansary of knowledge has something over 1,200 members, and Frank Treat. The lessons taught are many and varied and are deeply impressed upon the tablets of one's memory, and cannot be forgotten—by gosh! The physical culture course embraces everything from pyrography to the domestication of both the higher and lower animals; the science of gravitation is exemplified and elucidated to a fare-you-well, and the Swedish movement cure for paralysis is a howling and vociferous success. The burning sands are traversed quickly lest the full blooded and long bearded Arabic Billy Goat eat off your coattails and the dogs of the desert bark your shins.

I never before knew I had so many friends in the Shrine; they were all present, very numerous and more affectionate than the man who wants to borrow your hunting dog on Sept. 1. I cannot if I would, forget their solicitous ministrations while I was passing through this gentle seminary of learning. I wish to thank the committee upon entertainment who so earnestly complimented me (if it was behind my back), and presented me with that bouquet of hot house pinks, of so warm a color, their fragrance and memory lingers with me still, and now and then causes the feminine member of the household to stop her darning and make impertinent and sarcastic inquiries as to how I acquired those posies—for I was careless and forgetful enough to bring them home with me! Oftimes in the stilly night I laugh aloud while dreaming of the pleasures of the Shrine and it causes much misunderstanding and perplexities and quite impossible to satisfactorily elucidate to one's wife—when yanked out of soothing sleeep and told to explain forthwith;—and not yet time to arise and kindle and replenish the kitchen fires. And the Lord bless her; you can't tell! for iit hath been truly said that what is meat and drink for one man may cause grevious indigestion to his brother-in-law's only sister. I set these things down as cheerfully and cautiously as I myself sit down, for some explanation is doubtless due and desirable to a Shrineless community, whose people are in no wise acquainted with or acustomed to the strange customs and manners of a foreign land where sand is both plentiful and desirable and where it is a long time between libations.

To Editor Plumley of The Forum for his bottle of—Arnica; to Dr. Darrow of the Moorhead hospital for his professional attention; to Sam Hill for some safety pins and binding twine; to the Metropole hotel for a feather bed; to Caterer Pirie for serving meals at tables without chairs and to a hundred or more solicitous, ambitious and energetic Shriners who bestowed lasting evidence and endearing manifestations of their affections upon me—to all these and more I return thanks—that it is over—and bid them all a cordial and earnest invitation to come to Litchville at any old time.. I am accumulating a choice assortment of stout and strong Peter Elm branches, cut in the sap and loft dried, that I will be happy and pleased to present to them with my blessings, and as souvenirs of their visit.

P. S. The stray goat captured Wednesday, on the streets of Fargo, with its mouth full of excelsior did not belong to the Shrine. The Shrine goat does not feed upon excelsior — not this winter! It has a ravenous appetite for brimstone, nitro glycerine and bull beef, and the less you have to do with it the longer your wearing apparel will be good to look upon.

P. S. No. 2. The unregenerated and unweaned son of the desert who traded one of his shoes to me without my knowledge or consent, can recover the same by calling on the boot black at the Metropole, who assured me the next afternoon that it wasn't considered in good taste to return home wearing two left shoes of different sizes; different makes and different architecture.

P. S. No. 3. No, I didn't come home barefooted—I came home on the train, so I am creditably informed and verily believe.

P. S. No. 4. No! I don't want any more.

MASONIC HOME.

The Masonic Fraternity has always and everywhere held to the cardinal principle that the duty of relieving the distressed, the widow and the orphan, is an obligation resting upon the individual members of the craft, and that it is only when distress calls for a greater expenditure than it would be reasonable to require of the individual that organic or lodge effort is called into requisition. While it is true that lodges are constantly appropriating funds from their treasuries for various charitable objects, the idea is never lost sight of that the duty of relieving a distressed worthy brother ought to be fulfilled more promptly than is possible to do through organized efforts. The building of asylums and other places of refuge being manifestly beyond the power of individuals, can only be accomplished through organizations which can collect small

sums of money from a large number of individuals without making it burdensome upon any one. It is in carrying out the organized method of relief that the Masons of Mississippi have been engaged in the accumulation of a fund for an endowment of a Masonic Home. For the past sixteen years every Mason in the State has paid into this fund 25 cents a year, until it has now grown, with the accumulation of interest, to $62,000. The earnings of this endowment fund, now amounting to upwards of $3,000 a year, are only applicable to the maintenance of the Home after it is in operation. That this fund would be slow of accumulation was looked forward to from the very inception of the enterprise, the Chairman of the Committee who made the primary report, saying, "We cannot conceal from ourselves, or from you, brethren, the magnitude of this undertaking. Before the endowment fund is fully raised many of us will have taken the last sublime, degree, and solved the mystry of death; but the legacy will remain to those who shall come after us, mayhap, our children will find shelter beneath the foof of the house whose foundations we are now laying. It is seldom that we reap the fruit of our labors in this world, but there are things which can survive our funerals. Our work, our influences and the effects of our good deeds, which are more to the world that survives than we ourselves are, do not pass away; these continue and live. Even the Temple of Solomon, the great type and symbol of Masonry, would not have existed at all but for the provision made by David, who was not destined to even behold the foundation thereof, much less see the glory of the Lord fill the house."—Frederick Speed, Miss.

Chas E. Ovenshire, in a short address setting forth the merits of a Masonic Home, moved, and Treasurer Wm. Walker, seconded a mation which was unanimously and with much enthusiasm carried, by which Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, at its annual communication appropriated $500.00 for the purpose of purchasing a "Permanent Membership with right of appointment" in the Masonic Home Association. This gives the Lodge permanent membership during its existence, with the right to apoint one person to become a permanent member of the Home, to be cared for and maintained therein during life.

Alfred Elisha Ames Council, Knights Kadosh, Scottish Rite, appropriated $50.00 for a membership in the Masonic Home last Thursday.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS.

Summit Lodge 163, Dec. 14, John Wade, W. M., F. H. Parker, S. W., J. H. Beek, J. W., W. A. Frost, Tr. R. B. Ware, Sec., W. B. Geery, S. D., Geo. G. Whitney, J. D., Wm. Burrows, E. A. Countryman, Stewards; installed same night.

Shekinah Lodge No. 171, E. J. Souther, W. M., A. W. Bailey, S. W., R. B. Burns, J. W., P. D. Godfrey, Treas., Chas. S. Schurman, Sec., F. A. Jackson, S. D., F. V. Weisenburger, J. D., W. F. Aull, S. S., M. C. Hazzard, J. S., L. N. Bryant, Chap., J. Houska, Tyler. Installed Dec. 17, by H. M. Tusler, P. G. M., assisted by E. C. Shibley, P. M. of Mizpah 191, and Rev. A. G. Pinkham, Grand Chaplain; the E. A. degree was conferred and refreshments served. Eleven past masters were present and participated in the Past Masters' meeting. This Lodge will observe Saint John's day at Ascension church Dec. 30.

Western Star Lodge No. 26, J. F. D. Meighen, W. M., Luman Land, S. W., Geo. W. Johnson, J. W., H. E. Kellar, Treas., O. J. Wullf, Sec.

Perham Lodge No. 157, S. Friedman, W. M., H. Koenitzer, S. W., F. J. Brabec, J. W., J. L. Berthold, Treas., L. E. Davison, Sec. Joint installation with O. E. S., Jan. 1.

High Forest, 85; Geo. F. Brown, W. M., E. H. Englehart, S. W., H. E. Lewis, J. W., F. E. Dean, Treas., E. G. Armstrong, Sec., Eldria Smith, Chaplain, H. J. Day, S. D., Frank Reese, J. D., George Munson, S. S., T. Bashaw, J. S., B. G. Patchen, Tyler.

Fortitude Lodge, 188; John W. Woodfill, W. M., O. G. Elben, S. W., Matt Coughlin, J. W., W. B. Woodward, Sec., E. A. Daniels, Treas.

Sunset Lodge, No. 109; Dr. G. D. Meyer, W. M., Rev. W. J. Brown, S. W., H. H. Seiler, J. W., L. R. Moyer, Treas., B. A. Whitmore, Secy.

Berry Lodge No. 259; James H. Mosher, W. M., Palmer H. Irish, S. W., William Norton, J. W., Chas. F. Scheers, Sec., Thomas J. Brennan, Treas., W. A. Wilsie, S. D., C. R. Flink, J. D., O. W. Ramsdell, S. S., M. O. Olson, J. S., John Estby Tyler. Installation Dec. 12.

Atelier Lodge No. 202; A. A. Stemsrud, W. M., C. A. Kramer, S. W., George Vanstrum, J. W., Chas. O. Hill, Treas., O. C. Bolstad, Sec. Installation on St. Johns Day, Dec. 27.

Red Wing Lodge No. 8, H. J. Herder, W. M., C. L. Kellogg, S. W., S. T. Irvine, J. W., M. Kappell, Treas., G. H. Diepenbrock, Sec., C. P. Diepenbrock, S. D., J. H. Peterson, J. D., O. Arntson, S. S., Ernest Swanson, J. S., T. B. Tripp, Tyler, Rev. C. C. Rollit, Chaplain.

Pierson Lodge No. 169, H. McDivitt, W. M., G. Howard, S. W., O. S. Kenfield, J. W., L. Benshoof, Sec., R. Patterson, Treas.

Fraternity Lodge No. 101, W. E. Bloom, W. M., C. M. Crandall, S. W., S. S. Smith, J. W., W. M. Evans, Sec., L. M. Shell, Treas. Installation at the first meeting in January.

Aurora Lodge No. 100, J. P. Anderson, W. M., G. D. LaBar, S. W., W. P. Pirie, J. W., G. F. Mitchell, Sec., M. McFadden, Treas., B. S. Mallory, Tyler.

Charity Lodge No. 98, W. B. Mather, W. M., Herman Held, S. W., Adolph Meile, J. W., Dr. Mihleis, S. D., A. J. Vogel, J. D., G. L. Schmidt, S. S., E. A. Stoll, J. S., A. W. Bingham, Treas., G. Schmidt, Sec.

Tyrian Lodge No. 86, John McCabe, W. M., N. L. Munger, S. W., F. W. Kingsley, J. W., H. McGuigan, S. D., O. G. Nichols, J. D., W. A. Munger, Sec., J. W. Kingsley, Treas.

Columbian Lodge No. 210, Dr. Kellam, W. M., Fred Cooley, S. W., Dr. Burill, J. W., W. J. Ross, Sec., C. A. Wood, Treas.

Prescott Lodge No. 162, A. W. Wells, W. M., K. C. Ness, S. W., P. S. Goodell, J. W., J. T. Lindem, Sec., K. C. Helgeson, Treas.

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Orion Lodge No. 38, Peter Larson, W. M., Martin Anderson, S. W., George Olson, J. W., Martin Olson, Sec., Henry Stene, Treas. Installation at the next regular meeting.

Crookston Lodge No. 141, Graham Munch, W. M., J. D. Ball, S. W., C. D. Carter, J. W., B. M. Walsh, Treas., Fred McGregor, Sec.

Mankato Lodge No. 12, F. L. Searing, W. M., J. A. Hancock, S. W., Harry Footner, J. W., C. A. Chapman, Treas., B. T. Monson, Sec.

Hector Lodge No. 158, S. W. Anderson, W. M., A. B. Anderson, S. W., H. L. Torbenson, J. W., Ed. Blumrich, Sec., John Hokanson, Treas., Rev. Nobbs, Chap., F. W. Blumrich Jr., S. D., M. A. Cummings, J. D., G. W.

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Bemidji Lodge No. 233, Ed. French, W. M., W. B. Stewart, S. W., George French, J. W., M. E. Smith, Sec., Matt Phibbs, Treas. Joint installation of Lodge and O. E. S., by Grand Master Morris, Dec. 27.

Blue Earth Valley Lodge No. 27, F. E. Cady, W. M., W. A. Streater, S. W., Wes. Hall, J. W., J. H. Sherin, Sec.

Star in the East Lodge No. 33, W. H. Vinton, W. M., A. B. Stewart, S. W., M. J. Brown, J. W., H. D. Tompkins, Treas., P. G. Swanson, Sec., Installation Wednesday evening, Dec. 26.

Rochester Lodge No. 21, O. C. Heyerdale, W. M., T. A. Schact, S. W., R. A. Baker, J. W., A. Madeson, Treas., W. W. Churchill, Sec., W. A. Britzius, S. D., J. A. McRae, J. D., E. E. Hill, S. S., T. L. Phelps, J. S., Rev. G. F. Patterson, Chap., George DeWitt, Tyler. Installation by Past Grand Master Stebbins.

Nelson Lodge No. 135, A. E. Sturges, W. M., Lester Bartlett, S. W., F. E. Abbott, J. W., A. Fremd, Treas., S. R. Wells, Sec.

Canby Lodge No. 147, W. T. Evans, W. M., J. E. Vanstrom, S. W., H. D. Reed, J. W., S. J. Forbes, Treas., M. S. Nelson, Sec.

Verndale Lodge No. 139, Geo. W. Empey, W. M., F. A. Thompson, S. W., N. A. Lee, J. W., Geo. Bradley, Sec., B. Lalone, Treas.

Stewart Lodge No. 229, A. C. Schultz, W. M., G. W. Nutter, S. W., Dr. C. W. Tinker, J. W., O. E. Smith, Sec., C. R. Donaldson, Treas., A. F. Avery, S. D., L. S. Richards, J. D., O. O. Holm, S. S., M. B. Yuly, J. S., G. D. Grinnels, Tyler.

Palestine Lodge No. 79, J. A. Crawford, W. M., E. K. Coe, S. W., A. C. Volk, J. W., J. P. Johnson, Treas, Henry Nesbitt, Sec.

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Swift Lodge No. 129, O. Kinney, W. M., E. A. Smith, S. W., A. F. Nelson, J. W., J. N. Edwards, Treas., E. R. Aldrich, Sec.

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Lake Park Lodge No. 254, R. W. Smith W. M., John Nelson, S. W., M. B. Smith, J. W., J. E. Bakke, Treas., O. A. Erickson, Sec., E. Bjorge, S. D., H. E. Krone, J. D., N. E. Nelson, S. S., A. Anderson, J. S., H. H. Egar, Tyler.

Mt. Tabor Lodge No. 106, Geo. C. Bush, W. M., E. F. Harris, S. W., A. H. McKee, J. W., G. C. Nunn, Treas., C. G. Sturtevant, Sec. Installation Christmas night.

Fulda Lodge No. 179, George Browning, W. M., John Bachman, S. W., J. A. Maxwell, J. W., E. King, Sec., J. M. Dickinson, Treas.

F. J. Kimball, Briggsville, Wis., claims to possess a Masonic Apron more than 130 years old of deer skin, the emblems in gilt, formerly the property of Mrs. Kimball's great grandfather, Capt. David McGregor.

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Virginia Lodge No. 264, will entertain Friday night 28th.

Red Wing No. 8 will have a social evening Dec. 31; cards, dancing and refreshments.

Star in the East Lodge No. 33, Owatonna will furnish a room in the city hospital which will be known as the Masonic Room.

Chas. F. Sheers, retiring W. M., of Berry Lodge No. 259, received a P. M. jewel from his Lodge. Hon. A. L. Cole making the presentation.

Relatives of Lars Iverson Odberg, last heard from by letter from Tintic, Utah, in which he wrote that he had joined the Masons, are anxious to hear from or about him. Tintic Lodge, Eureka, does not know him. Utah Masons will confer a favor on his father in Norway by giving information to the Observer.

Sam. R. Emerson a prominent Mason of Elmore has gone to Redding, Iowa, where he takes a position in a bank.

Mantorville Lodge No. 11, will celebrate its 50th anniversary Jan. 8; two charter members, Riley Mantor and A. A. Crampton are living.

Faribault Commandery No. 8, R. T., will observe its usual custom of distributing baskets of provisions to those in need, on the day before Christmas.

The Lodge and Chapter at Blue Earth, Minn., have recently purchased the block in which they have been holding their meetings; this block originally cost $10,000.

The Masonic fabric is raised higher and brought nearer to the ideal by those who fully realise the advantages of education, who recognize that the Great Architect has implanted in the highest of his creatures a mind, in the cultivation of which they strive daily to know more of the hidden mysteries of nature and science, and find therein a fuller and clearer revelation of God himself—for "Nature" is but a name for the Great Creator, and "Science" is but a name for the systematic study of those works—and see everywhere His wisdom, beauty, and love, and strive in their own lives to reflect them.

Osman temple, Mystic Shrine, St. Paul, elected the following: Illustrious potentate, G. C. Knispel; illustrious chief rahban, E. B. Swygart; illustrious assistant rabban, F. Bannister; illustrious high priest, H. M. Tussler; illustrious oriental guide, T. W. Koerner; illustrious treasurer, Charles E. Gooch; illustrious recorder, John Fishel; representatives to imperial council, L. G. Hoffmann, John W. Owens, J. Harry Lewis and G. C. Knispel; representative to Masonic union, Dr. E. H. Whitcomb.

It was decided to invite the imperial council to hold its 1908 session in St. Paul.

"I incline to the belief that every community which has the good fortune to contain a Masonic Lodge is materially benefitted in its moral condition by a personal contact with its members. The dissemination of Masonic principles should not only be permitted, but should be encouraged wherever a constitutional number of Mason possessed of sufficient zeal and love for the order are willing to undertake duties devolving upon them, provided, of course, no community with a sparse population should have more than one Lodge. It were far better to strive to increase the activity of officers and members than to restrict a wholesome desire to labor in behalf of Masonic advancement." —Hicks, Oklahoma.

NECROLOGIC.

S. J. Beck, 33°, for the last ten years president of theSouthern California Masonic Home Association, recently died at Los Angeles. He was born in Alsace-Lorraine in 1835; came to Booneville, Mo., when 3 years old, to Bozeman, Mont., in 1849, to Los Angeles in 1876.

Fred Ring an old and well known Wisconsin Mason died at La Crosse, Dec. 14, aged 70 years.

Ivory McKusick a Mason of Stillwater, who came to the St. Croix valley in 1847, died Dec. 6.

Henry C. Monroe was buried Dec. 12, by Newport Lodge No. 118, Rev. Seliger of Cottage Grove officiating as Chaplain.

George Burton Young of the Young-Quinlan company, died last Thursday at the home of his brother, Fred D. Young, 2316 Colfax Ave. S. The news of his death was a shock and a surprise to his many friends and business associates, as his sickness began only the previous Monday. Paralysis, coupled with a hemorrhage of the brain, is the cause assigned.

Eleven years ago Mr. Young came to Minneapolis with his brother and soon became known in the business community. He was an active and well-liked member of the Commercial club, where his untimely death was the topic of discussion today. As an Elk his standing was high; in Masonry he belonged to Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, and to the Scottish Rite; as a sportsman he was a prominent member of the Minneapolis Automobile club.

Mr. Young was born in Freeport, Ill., June 8, 1869, and passed his early life there. His brother, Fred D. Young, is his only surviving relative.

Funeral services were held at his late home and in the Scottish Rite rooms of the Masonic Temple on Saturday. The fraternal services at Masonic Temple took place at 3 p. m. The body was taken to Freeport for interment.

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CUBAN LODGES.

As many of our readers will visit Cuba during the winter we append for their information a roster of all the regular lodges. We are indebted for this list to Rafael J. Castaneda of Amor y Verdad Lodge, Sancti Spiritus.

Luz de Candelaria, Candelaria; Luz de Occidente, Guanajay; Paz y Concordia, Pinar del Rio, Province of Pinar del Rio. Amor Fraternal Guanabacoa, Cuba, Fe Masonica, General Antonio Maceo, Havana No. 99, Hijos de America, Hijos de la Patria, Island, Obreros de la Verdad, Padilla, Perseverancia, Pozos Dulces, San Andres, Silencio, Union Iberica, Havana; Fraternidad y Constancia, Punta Brava; Guaicanamar, Regia; Hijos de la Luz, Guanabacoa; Luz Templarios, S. de las Vegas; Luz de Ariguanabo, S. A. de los Banos; Union de Bejucal, Bejucal; Virtud, Batabano, Province of Havana.

Hijos del Templo, Colon; Perseverancia, Cardenas; Union y Confianza, Jovellanos; Victor Hugo, Union de Reyes, Province of Matanzas.

Amor y Verdad, Sancti Spiritus; Asilo de la Virtud, Fernandina de Jagna, Cienfuegos; Fe y Amor, Abreus; Hijos de la Fe Masonica, Sagua la Grande; Hiram, Ranchuelo; Iberia, Caibarien; Iris Placetas; Lealtad y Firmeza, Vueltas; Luz de America, Remedios; Luz de Palmira, Palmira; Luz del Sur, Trinidad; Luz y Trabajo, Camajuani; Minerva, Quemado de Guines; Obreros del Damaji, Rodas; Progress, Santa Clara; San Juan, Caibarien; Sublime, Encrucijada; Union y Fe, Rancho Veloz, Province of Santa Clara.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Hennepin Lodge No. 4, will install officers Wednesday night, 26th.

Minnehaha Lodge No. 165, will install officers Thursday night, 27th.

A full line of Men's Gloves and Handkerchiefs at Vrooman's, 7 S. 6th.

No. 19 elected one for degrees and one to membership last Wednesday.

Palestine ChapterNo. 112, will hold its stated meeting Monday night, 24th.

We expect to publish the annual reports of several City Lodges next week.

E. F. Klemptner of the A. A. S. R. has gone to Seattle where he expects to spend the winter.

Frank J. Shepherd, Ark No. 176, is sick at his home, 3143 Stevens Ave. Brethren should call on him.

G. B. Evans, Keystone No. 20, Duluth, was a visitor at Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, last Tuesday.

Dr. E. S. Kelley, Cataract No. 2, who has been in St. Barnabas hospital since August, is improving.

A Shrine Fez would be an acceptable Christmas present. Price $3.00. Wendell & Greenwood, 307 Hennepin Ave.

Arthur M. Chesher, W. M. elect of Minneapolis No. 19, will go to Cuba and Jamaica Jan. 12, for a recreation trip.

Dan Pellatt of the Minnesota Quartette is at St. Barnabas hospital where he went last Thursday for an operation.

No lady will attend the Shrine annual at Los Angeles without a White Fez. Wendell & Greenwood, 307 Hennepin Ave.

Ark Lodge No. 176, will confer the Fellow Craft degree upon several candidates Monday, Jan. 7; enter this on your calendar.

Dont forget the Masonic Home Mass meeting Monday night, Dec. 31. All Masons and members of the O. E. S. are invited. Music and addresses.

Brother and Mrs. J. A. Falconer left last Wednesday to spend the holidays at their old home, Toronto, Ontario. May they have a pleasant visit.

The Observer received its first wishes for a "Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year," from Secretary Noyes of Ark Lodge No. 176.

Christmas Observance ceremonies at the Asylums of Zion Commandery No. 3, Darius No. 7, and Minneapolis Mounted No. 23, Christmas Day, 11 o'clock sharp. All members and sojourning Knights Templars are cordially invited to attend and participate in these beautiful and instructive ceremonies.

O. F. Warnes, past master of Anoka Lodge No. 30, made us a pleasant call last Wednesday; this brother says he always finds something of interest in the Observer.

Genial, generous Geo. N. Rentz has the thanks of the editor for a beautiful 33° button; as we have not attained the distinguished honor which permits its being worn, we regretfully returned it.

Col. H. J. T. Van Orsdale, 17th U. S. Infantry, now stationed at Camaguey, Cuba, has been a member of Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, since 1879; he is also a member of Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M..

With its characteristic generosity Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, at its annual meeting last Wednesday night, voted to appropriate any necessary sum to the relief of all neeedy members as a Christmas offering; this is in addition to regular relief cases.

Mounted Commandery No. 23, R. T., Christmas Observance ceremonies 11 a. m. sharp. Address:The Great Captain of our Salvation," Sir Knight G. L. Morrill. Toasts: "The Grand Commandery of Minnesota," response by Chas. E. Ovenshire, Grand Generalissimo. "Our Guests," response Sir Knight John Day Smith.

Adoniram Council No. 5, R. & S. M., J. L. Fournie, T. I. M., A. W. Mertens, R. I. D. M., R. M. Thompson, I. P. C. W., Geo. N. Houghton, Treas., E. M. Van Cleve, Rec., F. R. Wilson, C. G., W. H. Murfin, C. C., A. W. Strelow, Steward, Wm. McKinney, Sent., installed Dec. 22, by Geo. P. Sjoblom, Past T. I. M.

Anchor Chapter No. 67, R. A. M., J. D. Tolman, H. P., I. E. Martin, S., W. A. Gulick, K., H. A. Sauer, Treas., Dan. C. Brown, Sec., J. C. Woodruff, P. S., G. B. Phelps, C. H., C. W. Forsyth, R. A. C., C. M. Kinmore, M. 3d. V., J. A. Coryell, M. 2d. V.,—M. 1st. V., A. J. Morrill, Sent.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, L. N. Mcwhorter, W. M., R. B. Hazard, S. W., Irvin P. Jones, J. W., W. H. Gould, Treas., V. H. Stough, Sec., L. L. Fish, S. D., E. O. Cosman, J. D., C. F. Cowing, S. S., Albert Bush, J. S., Geo. E. Andrews, Mar., W. F. Murch, Tyler. Installed Dec. 18, by Wm. P. Roberts, G. S. W.

Ark Lodge No. 176, Levi A. Countryman, W. M., Wm. H. Germond, S. W., John A. Lauber, J. W., Chas. A. Grahn, Treas., Eugene C. Noyes, Sec., W. W. Rowell, S. D., Ezra L. Sly, J. D., J. O. Rosenquist, S. S., F. M. Davies, J. S., A. C. Wicks, Tyler. Installed Dec. 17, by Past Master Frank B. Messer, J. G. Houghton, Marshal. The annual reports of the secretary and treasurer show that Ark has enjoyed a prosperous year. Raised 19, affiliated 11, restored 2, demitted 10, died 8, stricken from roll 3.

Attention Nobles! The annual meeting and election of officers of Zuhrah Temble, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine will he held ou the 8th floor of the Temple, Friday night 28th. The usual "Open House" New Years Day, 10 a. m. to 1 p. m. Save enough from your Christmas expense fund to purchase one of those beautiful white and green cards.

Minnesota Lodge 224, received one petition and elected one for degrees last Tuesday night. The Entered Apprentice degree will be conferred at a special Thursday night, 27th. The proposition to assist the Library was adopted. The question of membership in the Masonic Home was referred to a special committee to report January 15.

St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, Frank J. Meyst, H. P., J. L. Fournie, K., C. W. Barden, S., Geo. M. Day, C. H., W. C. Watson, P. S., F. R. Wilson, R. A. C., Geo. H. Tennant, Treas., W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., W. H. Murfin, M. 3d V., J. G. Lockhart, M. 2d V., A. W. Strelow, M. 1st. V., Wm. McKinney, Sent., installed Dec. 22, by Geo. N. Houghton, R. E. D. H. P.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, Arthur M. Chesher, W. M., John A. Schleuer, S. W., Charles E. Braden, J. W., Wm. M. Walker, Treas., George E. Young, Secretary. Installation will occur at the the first stated communication in January, Wednesday, 2nd; keep this in mind and every body be there, Past Master, Ovenshire has consented to act as installing officer which means that it will be well done.

Plymouth Lodge 160, Geo. W. Armstrong, W. M., J. B. Fairweather, S. W., F. M. Acker, J. W., J. O. Weld, Tr., Geo. W. Hall, Sec., N. R. Cushing, S. D., O. J. Ellingson, J. D., Rev. F. A. Sumner, Chap., E. J. Dahn, S. S., F. W. I. Sahom, J. S., L. W. Noble, Tyler, C. H. Bishop, Geo. V. B. Hill, F. H. McCuskey, Trustees, L. O. Merriam, Masonic B'd. Relief., installed Dec. 17, by Wm. P. Roberts, Senior Grand Warden.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, J. L. Fournie, W. M., F. J. Meyst, S. W., W. G. Whitcomb, J. W., Geo. H. Tennant, Treas., W. H. J. Pearce, Sec., C. W. Hall, S. D., J. Armstrong, J. D., C. Richardson,

S. S., W. H. Murfin, J. S., Rev. S. B. Purvis, Chap., J. S. Todd, Mar., Geo. P. Sjoblom, Organist, Wm. McKinney, Tyler, installed Dec. 27, by Geo. P. Sjoblom. Addresses by Judge H. D. Dickinson, Mayor J. C. Haynes, A. H. Hall and Henry Deutsch. Music by Minnesota Quartet. Banquet.

Khurum Lodge No. 112, Wm. H. Crilly, W. M., Geo. W. Meyer, S. W., Gustave A. Petri, J. W., Hugh B. Marchbank, Treas., David W. Knowlton, Sec., H. T. Downs, S. D., Thos. S. Ingersoll, J. D., Thos. W. Russell, S. S., Wm. A. McCadden, J. S., Fred W. Webber, Chaplain, Wm. F. Murch, Tiler. Installation Saturday night, 22d.

The following Masonic bodies have voted, in the order named, to aid the Masonic Library: Hennepin Lodge No. 4, St. Vincent de Paul Chapter No. 2, Rose Croix, A. A. S. R., Khurum Lodge No. 112, Ark Lodge No. 176, Plymouth Lodge No. 160, Minnesota Lodge No. 224, Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., and Minneapolis Lodge No. 19.

Alfred Elisha Ames Council, Knights Kadosh, Scittish Rite, unanimously voted to aid the Library and Masonic club project, last Thursday night.

Saint Johns Chapter No. 9, R. A. M., Thos. D. Bell, E. H. P., F. B. Crocker, K., A. E. Clarendon, S., Wm. M. Walker, Treas., W. C. Allen, Sec., H. M. Edgerton, C. H. Installation Friday, Jan. 4

Saint Johns Chapter, held 12 stated and 19 special convocations during the year, elected 29 to receive degrees and 12 to membership, Conferred 128 degrees as follows: Mark Master 31, Past Master 32, Most Excellent Master 32, Royal Arch 33. Membership: exalted 33, affiliated 12, restored 2, demitted 10, stricken from roll 5, died 2, total membership 761.

Minneapolis Mounted Commandery, No. 23 K. T. Special Conclave Thursday, December 27th., a Banquet for all at 6:30 P. M., Smoker to follow

Opening in Full form at 7:30 P. M. The Order of the Temple will be conferred on several companions. Some of our highly esteemed Past Commanders have courteously consented to serve on this occasion in stations named: Eminent Sir Knight Fred V Brown, Commander; Eminent Sir Knight Chas. W. Drew, Generalissimo; Eminent Sir Knight Thomas F. Quinby, Captain General; Eminent Sir Knight James G. Houghton, Senior Warden; Eminent Sir Knight James I. Brown, Junior Warden.

The Masonic Quartette will be in attendance.

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STATED.
Columbian Chapter No. 60 (Mpls.).
Damascus Commandery No. 1 (St. Paul.)
Harmony Chapter No. 8, O. E. S. (Mpls)
Carmel Chap. 127, O. E. S. (St. Paul.)
SPECIAL.
Zion Commandery, No. 2 K. T. (Mpls).
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WEDNESDAY EVENING
STATED.
Hennepin Lodge, No. 4. (Minneapolis)
Installation of Officers.
Minnesota Consistory, No. 1, St. Paul.

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED
Ancient Landmark 5, (St. P.) 24 W. 6th.
Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, Mas. Tem.
SPECIAL.
Mpls. Mounted Com. No. 23 (Mpls.).
Work in O. of the T.
Cataract Lodge, No. 2. (Minneapolis.)
Installation of Officers.
Minnesota No. 224, Mpls.
Work in E. A. degree.
Minnehaha 165, 1535 E. Lake.
Installation of Officers.

FRIDAY EVENING.
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Khurum No. 112, Mpls.
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THE OLD YEAR TO THE NEW.

My boy, there are many things I could tell,
Ah, many, both of good and of ill:
But the first lesson I learned, I will now give to you,
The lesson of patience—to bear, and be still.

Patient be with your friends, patient be with your neighbor,
Patient be with the children, the youth and old age,
Patient be when disappointments come to you,
Patient be when the dark spots appear on life's page.

Then the lesson of faith, you must next learn this lesson,
Faith in your God, faith also in man:
Without faith, life to you will mean very little;
And with faith, ever do the best that you can.

And the lesson of love: you think this is easy,
And easy it is to love what is good:
But this the command, by your own Master given,
"Love your enemies, all,"—to the hungry give food.

But the sweetest of all life's lessons I'd give you,
Is the lesson of Charity, loving and kind,
Not a fault nor a flaw to find in your brother,
Forgiving all sins, and only good find.

For, my boy, God filled this world full of goodness,
And it's all with us still, if we seek but to find,
If we look with true eyes, with pure thoughts behind them,
The evil will vanish—to the pure noble mind.

Many times you'll be tempted to turn from your brother,
But bear with him still, tho he stumble and fall;
For some do have strong bodies, some do have weak ones,
So it is with the mind, there is not strength for all.

And we who are gifted with strong mind or body,
Must give our weak brother the strength he doth lack,
And if we are faithful and study him truly,
There is some good in him, to us to come back.

And so, in this way, we live one for the other,
Each for the other and all for one God:
And now, little master, this word I give to you,
Rule all with love, and not with the rod.

Now I give you the keys, at first they'll seem heavy,
But that is a part of the cross you must bear:
For to understand trials and troubles of others,
We must each have a part in this old world of care.

Now, arise! fare-thee-well—let us part not in sorrow,
To your work! do it well, be brave to the last:
The clock strikes the hour—I pass into history,
At the last stroke of twelve, I'll be in the Past.

—Edna Fuller Kirk.

HEARD IN THE ANTEROOM.

"Say, did you ever take the examination to visit a lodge in Pennsylvania?" asked the Traveler Brother in the anteroom the other evening.

"No; I never did," said the Stay-at-home Brother.

"Well, I did, and it was the fiercest proposition I ever went up against," said the Traveled Brother. "But I played for even afterwards and got there."

"Oh, I hope not;" said the Real Good Brother, with a pained expression.

"Yes, I did, though," said the Traveled Brother. "You see, it was this way: I sent in my name and the usual particulars, and a committee took me in charge, and say—the course of sprouts they put me through makes me break out into a cold sweat yet when I think of it. They took me clear back to King Solomon, and all down the line, and then we said it backwards and *en echelon*. Every little while the committee would retire to a little distance and hold whispered inquests on me, and then they would come back and renew the combat. At first it was annoying, but later it got to be amusing and I entered into the spirit of the thing, and as they began to show signs of reaching a conclusion I would throw in remarks about the great number of impostors traveling around and the necessity for the greatest caution, when they would recommence and we would do it all over. I had resigned all hope of getting in long before the examination was completed."

"Then you did finally get in?" asked the Stay-at-home Brother.

"Oh, yes; I got in in time to be present at the closing of the lodge," said the Traveled Brother. "In fact, fifteen or twenty minutes before that, which enabled me to lay plans for revenge."

The Real Good Brother sighed deeply.

"Well, tell us the rest of it," said the Stay-at-home Brother.

"After they finally consented, rather doubtingly, that I might possibly be a Mason and I was admitted and introduced to the lodge, the one who had given the most trouble became real chummy-like, and as we sat together he told me that he expected to visit Minnesota soon, which gave me my cue.

" 'When are you going?' I asked.

"He named the date.

" 'Come and visit my lodge,' said I, naming it, 'and I will be there and vouch for you.'

" 'I'll be there sure,' said he, all enthusiasm.

"And he was. But I'm getting along too fast. I had met him on the street during the afternoon, and so was sure of his being present. I went to the lodge very early and took the Worshipful Master into my confidence to the extent of telling him that a friend of mine from Pennsylvania, would visit the lodge that evening, on my invitation, and that I had promised to be there to introduce him, but was compelled to be absent for an hour or so, and asked him to appoint Bros. So-and-so to examine him. He readily consented, and as I had the brothers all cocked and primed to keep the visitor in the committee room until I put in an appearance, I went out and reveled in my revenge. Brother Pennsylvania arrived in due time, was told of my having been called away, suddenly, consented to send in his name and ask for a committee, and the horses were off. I got to the anteroom a few minutes after the committee and visitor became closeted, and sat around and enjoyed my-

self. Every few minutes I would get the tiler to call out one of the committee, in order that I maght encourage them to renewed efforts. For two hours they kept up the examination, and during that time everything known and surmised about Masonry was cut and hewn and brought by sea on floats to Joppa. Finally the committee rebelled and threatened to turn him loose on the lodge, when I bustled up to the door of the committee room and ended it. He shook my hand cordially and unsuspiciously as I apologized for not keeping my appointment.

" 'Our work differs from yours in many particulars, I am afraid,' said he.

" 'I guess ours differs slightly from the ancient York rite,' I said, as we listened to the lecture that closes the degree."

The Real Good Brother again sighed heavily and relit his lodge cigar.

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"Our brethren of the country districts," said the Loquacious Brother, "are much more circumspect—careful to whom they talk—than the average city brother, and I have usually found them very unapproachable when Masonry is mentioned. Not long ago I took a trip to Kansas City, and while waiting for a car I observed a farmer-looking chap engaged in the same occupation. As he sported a square and compass, I felt that I might enter into conversation with him.

" 'I see that you have * * *,' said I.

" 'Mebbe so,' said he. 'I wonder how long we will have to wait for that blamed kyar.'

" 'Did you meet with * * * ?' I continued, not at all discouraged.

" 'Uhhuh,' he replied. 'Kyars don't seem to run very often on this road.'

" 'I am glad to meet you here by ourselves,' said I, beginning to feel gay. 'I have long looked forward to this meeting.'

" 'I hadn't noticed it,' he said, tucking his Masonic charm into his vest pocket. 'But I'd enoy it more if that

" 'Can we three gain passage to Independence?' I asked, for by this time a half-grown colored boy had joined us.

" 'I reckon you kin if you've got a pass or a nickel,' he said. Then, fearing that he had committed himself too far, 'I reckon you know as much about it as I do.'

" 'What shall we do?' I asked.

" 'I'm gwine ter git inter the jim crow car,' said the 'coon,' with a grin. A car was coming from the western horizon and the black boy walked off some distance to meet it.

" 'What lodge do you belong to?' I asked.

" 'I ain't said I belonged to none,' he replied, edging off from me.

" 'Then why do you carry the sign?' I inquired.

" 'People always told me not be readin' the signs when I went to town, but you city chaps don't seem to do nothing else,' said he, as he got into the car."

ANNUAL ELECTIONS.

Albert Pike Lodge, 237, West Minneapolis, W. I. Feudner, W. M., D. K. Yorgey, S. W., A. W. Cooper, J. W., Frederick Souba, Treas., Frank K. Wade, Sec., installation Jan. 2.

Dalles Lodge No. 181, John Atkins, W. M., H. J. Danielson, S. W., W. J. Campbell, J. W., Chas. Watkins, Sec., C. E. Wilander, Treas.

Fidelity Lodge No. 39, M. O. Anderson, W. M., Geo. A. Dutcher, S. W., Peter Hansen, J. W., C. L. West, Treas., J. H. Anderson, Sec.

Mystic Circle Lodge No. 78, G. E. Dorival W. M., C. C. Barton S. W., E. O. Abrahamson, J. W., C. F. Schonlau, Sec., C. V. Whitehouse, Treas.

Delta Lodge No. 119, C. W. Hicks, W. M., Delano Caley, S. W., N. S. Dungay, J. W., E. S. Frick, Treas., D. M. King, Sec.

Hope Lodge No. 42, L. W. Gilbert, W. M., H. A. Hopps, S. W., W. J. Turnbull, J. W., C. V. Corson, Sec., Henry L. Simons, Treas.

Sharon Lodge No. 104, Russell Spicer W. M., P. C. Peterson, S. W., Anton Bakke, J. W., G. P. Karwand, Treas., H. C. Hanson, Sec. Installation Dec. 21.

Farihault Lodge No. 9, O. M. Henderson, W. M., Dr. W. H. Robilliard, S. W., Dr. J. S. Seely, J. W., L. Hawley, Treas., D. E. Goodman, Sec.

Wapahasa Lodge No. 14, J. R. Brown, W. M., Archie Carrier, S. W., J. L. Gengnagel, J. W., J. A. Peck, Treas., H. M. Dugan, Sec.

Winslow Lewis Lodge No. 125, Fred Biederman, W. M., L. Schwappach, S. W., Dan Norris, J. W., H. F. Schwappach, Treas., Wm. Krueger, Sec.

Rough Ashler Lodge No. 177, W. N. Southworth, W. M., J. H. Meyers, S. W., Paul Beutow, J. W., Herbert Chard, Sec., F. H. Kahle, Treas.

Roman Eagle Lodge No. 175, J. C. Becker, W. M., Samuel Jones, S. W., Charles Slade, J. W., John R. Jones, Treas., W. R. Mansel, Sec. The lodge celebrated St. Johns Day with appropriate exercises and a banquet.

King Solomon Lodge No. 44, H. O. Smith, W. M., C. G. Bowdish, S. W., George Thornquest, J. W., J. E. Jones, Treas., C. C. Storer, Sec.

St. Johns Lodge No. 1, W. G. Bronson, Jr. W. M., Gilbert W. Davis, S. W., J. Q. Mackintosh, J. W., H. E. Smith, Treas., Ira E. King, Sec.

Spring Valley Lodge No. 58, H. E. Leach, W. M., R. J. Parker, S. W., W. N. Kendricks, J. W., Roy Viall, Treas., S. G. Pattridge, Sec.

Kellogg Lodge No. 122, H. L. Wolfe, W. M., C. F. Wolfe, S. W., Geo. Montgomery, J. W., F. W. Heuer, Sec., J. O. Junkin, Treas. Installed Friday, Dec. 21.

Eveleth Lodge No. 239, T. H. Davey, W. M., J. C. Poole, S. W., W. H. Plummer, J. W., W. J. Davey, Treas., M. W. Burt, Jr. Sec. Installed Dec. 18.

Park Region Lodge No. 227, K. Kristofferson, W. M., P. G. Stahl, S. W., C. H. Godward, J. W., O. G. Sanders, Sec., W. R. Hand, Treas.

Virginia Lodge No. 264, Adelbert Trotter, W. M., C. B. Lenont, S. W., J. H. Crowe, J. W., D. B. McDonald, Treas., W. R. Wasson, Sec. Public installation Dec. 28, followed by a party and banquet.

Garnet Lodge No. 166, Chas. E. Davies, W. M., T. L. Bourquin, S. W., J. C. McCreigh, J. W., M. J. Mackenhausen, Treas., T. W. Bacon, Sec.

Carnelian Lodge No. 40, W. J. Lowrie, W. M., R. D. Underwood, S. W., Albert Roberson, J. W., J. W. Kennedy, Treas., L. S. Lutz, Sec. Installation Dec. 25.

Henderson Lodge No. 80, A. L. Poehler, W. M., Fred Herrmann, S. W., A. C. Blasing, J. W., A. C. Buck, Sec., W. H. Leeman, Treas.

Fairmont Chapter No. 50, R. A. M., M. J. Aldrich, H. P., H. P. Edwards, K., F. S. Livermore, S., J. A. Sather, Sec., C. N. Peterson, Treas.

Zabud Council No. 10, R. & S. M., John Lowey, T. I. M., M. H. Nelson, I. D. M., Geo. Forsythe, P. C. W., F. A. Farrar, Treas., M. McFadden, Rec., W. H. Bondy, C. G. Geo. D. LaBar, C. C., Geo. H. Brown, S., S. W. Mowers, Chap., B. S. Mallory, Sent.

South Dakota.

Groton Lodge No. 65, Finlay W. Atkin, W. M., O. F., Edwards, S. W., C. K. Neff, J. W., W. C. Funk, Sec., R. A. Mather, Treas.; public installation, Dec. 27.

Groton, Chapter No. 39, R. A. M., W. A. Burnham, E. H. P., held a joint installation with the Lodge.

Vermillion Commandery, No. 16, K.

T., Vermillion, S. D., held the regular Christmas observance.

The Lodge, Chapter and Chapter O. E. S., at Vermillion, S. D., held joint and public installation Dec. 19. There was a large attendance; a banquet was served by the ladies.

Incense Lodge No. 2, Vermillion, S. D., Peter K. Jorgenson, W. M., Clark M. Young, S. W., Christ Christianson, J. W., Lewis T. Swezey, Treas., James A. Copeland, Sec'y, Edgar D. Brookman, S. D., Martin Weeks, J. D., Cyrus C. Puckett, S. S., Ole O. Stoland, J. S., Ole Iverson, Tyler. Installed Dec. 19, by J. A. Copeland, Past Master.

Vermillion Chapter No. 21 R. A. M., Vermillion, S. D., J. A. Copeland, H. P., Ole Iverson, King, C. H. Barrett, Scribe, L. T. Swezey, Treas., C. Christianson, Sec., J. P. Schall, C. H., C. J. Gunderson, P. S., L. Hollifield, R. A. C., W. M. Barnett, G. M. 3rd V., G. K. Brosius, G. M. 2nd V., C. M. Young, G. M., 1st V., H. G. Taylor, Sent. Installed Dec. 19 by Past H. P. and Past G. M. Edgar D. Brookman.

THE EASTERN STAR.

Ladies should call and inspect Mrs A. L. Vrooman's latest importations at 7 South Sixth street.

Mary E. R. McGuire, Sec. of No. 9 O. E. S. has gone to Clearwater for a visit with her mother.

Nicollet Chapter, 174, St. Peter, Mrs. Lillian Kretschmer, W. M., Frank Ransom, W. P., Mrs. Magdaline Kachel, A. M., J. L. Holmberg, Sec., Max Kretschmer, Treas., Mrs. Golda Rinkel, Con., Miss Emma Schmid, A. Con.

Mrs. Thos. Cox, 3202 Cedar Ave., will entertain the thimble-bee of Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, O. E. S., at her home Friday afternoon Jan. 11. All members and their friends are cordially invited. These are very pleasant afternoons, and those who do not attend are missing much.

Minnehaha Chapter No. 37, O. E. S. will install the officers for the ensuing year on Friday evening, Jan. 4. It has been decided to have this installation a public one and the members of the Chapter will be glad to see their friends. A short musical program will follow the installation.

Minneapolis Chapter No. 9 held a largely attended special meeting last Thursday night for the purpose of conferring degrees on a class of six. Two were admitted by affiliation. A large delegation from sister chapters was present. After the regular session, refreshments were served in the library and a social time enjoyed.

A public installation will be held Thursday eve., Jan. 10, followed by a fine program, to which friends and families of members are invited. M. E. R. McGuire, Sec.

Juno Chapter No. 44 O. E. S., Vermillion, S. D., Mrs. Belle S. Bell, W. M., J. A. Copeland, W. P., Mrs. Mamie Gunderson, A. M., Mrs. Laura Barrett, Treas., Mrs. Frances Brookman, Sec., Mrs. Marguerite Collins, Cond., Mrs. Alice Dunlap, A.Cond., Miss Anna Weeks, Ada, Mrs. Julia Brosius, Ruth Miss Flora Copeland, Esther, Mrs. Ida Sheldon, Martha, Mrs. J. B. Camerer, Electa, Mrs. Frances Grange, Warder, Mr. S. M. Totten, Sen., Mrs. Effie Thomas, Chap., Miss Rinne Vaughn, Org. Installed Dec. 19, by Mrs. Estella Copeland, Past W. M.

Stephen Berry, Portland, Me., is credited with originating the custom of the Knights Templars Christmas greeting. Fifteen years ago he sent telegraphic greetings to all the grand recorders, and later the grand encampment adopted his ideas.

WHERE there is industry there is prosperity; where there is prosperity there is happiness; where there is happiness there is hope for the realization of a more perfect life.—Katherine Tingley.

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Euclid Lodge No. 9, West Duluth has recently incorporated.

The corner stone of the Masonic Home near Helena, Mont., was laid Dec. 27.

The Scottish Rite bodies, Fargo, will hold their winter reunion Feb. 11, 12, 13.

The Masonic Temple at Fond du Lac, Wis., will be ready for occupancy in January.

Afifi temple Mystic Shrine, Tacoma, has a membership of 784, a gain of 125 during the year.

Masonry implies grand and noble ideas expressed by ceremonies of splendor and historic meaning; rites handed down from centuries past, and the consummation of deeds that tend wonderfully towards the uplifting of human ideals.—Butte Miner.

Vigil Court, Daughters of Isis, Auxiliary to the Shrine, Tacoma, Wash., initiated 52 Dec. 12.

Mississippi has adopted the detached Cottage plan, with one administration building, for its Masonic Home.

William Todd, M. E. G. H. P., Austin, was given a reception and banquet by his home Chapter, Dec. 18.

Gustaf Widell, D. G. M., took his annual bath recently at Morristown; the ice broke and let him into the river.

Pleasant Grove Lodge No. 22, celebrated its semi-centennial Dec. 17. [This lodge was chartered Jan. 8, 1858. Ed.]

Boone, Ia., is rejoicing that its long contemplated Masonic Temple is assured; the site has been chosen. The late Frank Champlin left a bequest of $18,000 to aid its erection.

Renton Masonic Lodge No. 29, Wash., offers a reward of $100 for the recovery of the bodies of Mr. and Mrs. August Nelson, lost in collision between the steamers Dix and Jeanie, Nov. 18.

At the reunion of the A. & A. S. R., Indianapolis, Nov. 20, 20, 21, 22, the class numbered 71 at the opening and closed with 97; the registered attendance was over 1400 and more than 1000 sat at the banquet. The Masonic Advocate says the speakers were all politicians, but none of them prominent in Masonry; however the member who responded for the class had been for twenty-seven years the Prelate of a Commandery and spoke from a knowledge of Masonry.

in practically the same condition as when it was used by its distinguished owner, the sword of John Paul Jones now rests in the library of the navy department, where it has been placed by Commander Reginald Nicholson. It is believed that the weapon orginally was given to Jones by the North Carolina family of that name at the time he changed his own name in compliment to them.

The sword was given by Jones to Theodosia Burr, daughter of Aaron Burr. Theodosia Burr, after marrying Joseph Alston, a wealthy and talented young planter of South Carolina, presented the sword to Judge Matthew Davis of Charleston, who gave it to Rev. Dr. Ducachet of Philadeuphia. The latter gave it to Commodore Summerville Nicholson, and the commodore gave it to its recent owner, Commander Nicholson.

Mizpah Lodge No. 191, South St. Paul, installed its officers Tuesday night, Dec. 4; an entertainment followed; invitations to "yourself and lady" were issued. The following were installed by Henry M. Tusler, Past Grand Master; Frank W. Wentworth, W. M., Frank L. Henderson, S. W., Thos. C. Michelmore, J. W., Henry Whaley, Treas., Eugene L. Sloane, Secy., E. S. Vanslyke, S. D., Robt. G. Moncur, J. D., Frank J. Miller, S. S., John Gill, J . S., Jacob Berrum, Tyler.

A new Masonic Temple Building, to cost $50,000 to $60,000, is to be erected at once, in Flint, Michigan. Judge C. H. Wisner is Chairman of the Building Committee; F. D. Clarke, Supt. Michigan School for the Deaf, Secretary. Size of lot, 132 by 148,—being corner lot, with 132 feet West line, 148 feet South line, and 132 feet East line to alley. The building is not to cover entire ground, but to set back, with grass plat surrounding. The building is to be used for Masonic purposes only, will contain a Commandery drill room, lodge rooms, banquet hall, kitchen, club rooms, and parlors, and will be of finest pressed brick obtainable.

BUILD WORTHILY!

High on the granite walls the builders toiling,
Heaved up the massive blocks and slabs to place,
With swart and streaming brows and straining sinews
Under the summer blaze.

And higher yet, amid the chills of Autumn,
Tier upon tier and arch on arch arose,
And still crept upward, coldly, wearily,
'Mid Winter's sifting snows.

From base to topstone mounts the Master Builder,
Instructing, cheering, chiding here and there,
Scanning with scrutiny, exact and rigid,
Each lusty laborer's share.

Anon his voice from the far distance, sounding
Through the hoarse trumpet, makes his orders swell;
Or utters words like these to cheer and hearten:
Build well! my men, build well!

Build, that these walls to future generations,
Your strength, your skill, your faithfulness may tell;
That all may say, as storms and centuries test them,
"The men of old built well! built well!"

And ever thus speaks the Great Master Builder to us,
Where'er our journeywork may be,
What'er the toil, the season, or the structure;
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A neat program announces the annual reunion of the Saint Paul Bodies which will be held January 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11.

Monday, 7th., afternoon 2, evening 7:30, degrees 4-11. Tuesday, 8th., afternoon 2, evening 8, degrees 12-14. Wednesday, 9th., afternoon 1:30, evening 7:30, degrees 15-18. Thursday, 10th., afternoon 2, evening 7:30, degrees 21-30. Friday, 11th, afternoon 2, evening 8, degrees 31-32.

Banquet Friday night. Visiting Brethren invited. Officers: William H. S. Wright, Ven. Master, Isaac Seddon, Wise Master, Eugene W. McCord, Commander, Luis G. Hoffman, Master of Kadosh, George Herbert, Secretary, Membership, 443.

The man who has achieved success is the man who has lived well, laughed often and loved much. Who has gained the trust of his fellowmen, who keeps the love of his wife and family. Who has filled his niche and accomplished his task, who has left the world better than he found it, whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a rescued soul. Who has never lacked appreciation of earth's beauty or failed to express it, who has always looked for the best in others and given the best he had. Whose life was an inspiration, whose memory a benediction.—W. S. Flake of Kurum 112.

Brother G. L. Morrill has a new book just from the press, "A Musical Minister." Those who have read and enjoyed his "Tracks of a Tenderfoot", "Morrill's Musings" and "People's Pulpit", will find new delights and entertainment in this. "A Musical Minister" is profusely illustrated by Ada B. Morrill and Lowell L. Morrill. This book—the price is only $1.00—would make an excellent Christmas present. Address G. L. Morrill, 3356 10th Ave. S.

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LOCAL OBSERVATIONS.

Frank J. Shepherd, Ark 176, has recovered.

Braden Lodge, No, 168 will install officers Thursday night, 3rd.

W. J. Butt, Ionic No. 25, Winnipeg, Man., was a caller last Thursday.

Ark Chapter No. 53, conferred the Royal Arch degree last Friday night.

The Observer will publish the annual report of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 next week.

Minnesota Lodge No. 224, will hold its stated Communication Tuesday night, Jan. 1.

Plymouth Lodge No. 160, will confer the Entered Apprentice degree Monday night, 7th.

Damascus Commandery No. 1, and Paladin Commandery No. 21, St. Paul, united in Christmas observances.

Minneapolis Lodge No. 19, installation Wednesday night, 2d. All resident members are requested to be present.

Judge John Day Smith of No. 176 has been elected president of Minnesota chapters Sons of the American Revolution.

Ark Lodge No. 176, will confer the Fellow Craft degree upon several candidates Monday, Jan. 7; enter this on your calendar.

Dont forget the Masonic Home Mass meeting Monday night, Dec. 31. All Masons and members of the O. E. S. are invited. Music and addresses.

In addition to Masonic Home Memberships heretofore reported, Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, has taken one of $50.00, and Gust Lagerquist two of $25.00 each.

Hennepin Lodge no. 4, will confer the Master Mason degree at a special Wednesday night, 2d. The new officers will welcome the attendance of the members.

John M. Norris, Ark 176, and recorder of Mounted Commandery No. 23, residing at 3200 Garfield Ave., is confined to his house by reason of a broken foot. Call on him.

Minneapolis Council No. 2, R. & S. M., and Minneapolis Consistory No. 2, A. A. S. R., have voted to assist in maintaining the Masonic Club and Library, since our last issue.

Robert Forbes, D. D., first assistant corresponding secretary board of Church extension M. E. Church, Philadelphia, Member of Cataract Lodge, St. Anthony Falls Chapter and Darius Commandery, was present at the Lodge annual last week. Dr. Forbes was Grand Chaplain of G. L. two years and Grand Orator two years.

Christmas day was warm and bright and the services at the asylums of the several Commanderies were well attended. We expected to publish some of the addresses but were unable to obtain them.

John M. Cavanaugh, formerly of Minneapolis, for the last eight years at Fairbanks, Alaska, returned to that place last Wednesday after a month among old friends. He is a member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19 and of Saint Johns Chapter No. 9. Bro. Cavanaugh informs the Observer that the Masonic Club at Fairbanks has comfortable rooms and there is much sociability.

The following officers of Hennepin Lodge No. 4, were installed by Grand Senior Warden Wm. P. Roberts, on Wednesday evening Dec. 26; Henry W. Smollett, W. M., Horace M. Weston, S. W., Gus. S. Nelson, J. W., Wm. P. Roberts, Treas., Jesse H. Wakeman, Sec., John J. Bullis, Chaplain, Frank S. Pool, S. D., Fred C. Shepard, J. D., Wm. A. Martin, J. S., Wm. H. Hoit, Tyler.

One candidate was passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft after the installation.

The east side Masonic temple seldom held a more pleasant gathering than that which witnessed the joint installation of St. Anthony Falls Chapter No. 3, R. A. M., and Adoniram Council No. 5, R. & S. M., Saturday night, Dec. 22. There was a good attendance. Grand Master W. C. Allen, Grand Council, was present and received by the Council with grand honors.

An elegant banquet was served by Maas, and several addresses were made, E. H. P. Frank J. Meyst, toast master.

The Past Commanders night at the asylum of Minneapolis Mounted Commandery No. 23, last Thursday, was a very pleasant and successful event. The Sir Knights to the number of sixty in full uniforms assembled at 5:30, and after social greetings, marched to the banquet hall where they sat to tables spread with all the substantials and luxuries of the Christmas season, and were served by Eminent Commander Cobban and his assistants. The commandery was opened in full form at 8 o'clock, Em. Sir Jas. G. Houghton, presiding, after which the order of the Temple was conferred on two by the officers named in our last issue, with some changes in stations, Em. Sir Knight Thomas F. Quinby as Commander. The Masonic Quartet rendered the musical program.

Cataract Lodge No. 2, is one of the few Minnesota Lodges which adheres to old customs, in the observance of Masonic festivals. This lodge annually installs its officers on the anniversary of Saint John the Evangelist, December 27. No pleasanter evening ever occurred in 'old Cataract' than that participated in by the two hundred members and visitors last Thursday night.

The installation ceremonies were conducted by Past Master Geo. P. Sjoblom in his usual impressive manner. After which the brethren repaired to the banquet hall where an elegant banquet was served by Maas, after which they were entertained until a late hour by addresses from such well known brethren as Judge H. D. Dickinson, Henry Deutsch, A. H. Hall and Robert Forbes, D. D., interspersed with selections by the Minnesota Quartet.

Our reporter was present and will, in another issue, give you some of the eloquent sentiments which were loudly applauded.

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There comes a time—it comes to all—
When we shall hear the Warden's call,
And each, with **Ashlar Rough** or true,
Must pass Death's solemn portal through.
Be it yours, brethren, then to hear,
From th' Master's lips these words of cheer,
"Your work is found both true and square.
Pass on!"

Dr. Cyrus K. Bartlett, aged 78 years, died last Wednesday at his home in the Hampshire Arms. He was born in 1828, at Boxford, Mass., and was graduated from the medical department of Harvard in 1852. He was a kyar'd come.'
specialist in mental diseases, and in 1868 he was appointed superintendent of the state hospital at St. Peter.

Dr. Bartlett moved to Minneapolis in 1893, and for twelve years was professor of mental diseases at Hamline university. He resigned this year and was made professor emeritus. From 1897 until 1904 he was associate editor of the Medical Dial, which later merged with the Northwest Lancet. He was a member of the Harvard club and of Minneapolis lodge No. 19, A. F. and A. M., and a member of the board of directors of the Masonic Temple Association.

A private funeral was held in the parlors of the Hampshire Arms last Saturday afternoon.

Dr. L. W. Babcock of Wadena,

Minn., died at St. Paul Christmas morning; he was 66 years of age and a native of New York, coming to this state in 1879.

Dr. Babcock was an active practitioner and also active in politics having served as president of the Village council seven years; he was elected to the legislature in 1900 and re-elected in 1902, became speaker of the house. Dr. Babcock was a member of several Masonic Bodies, becoming a member of the Minneapolis bodies of the Scottish Rite and of Zuhrah Temple, Mystic Shrine in Oct. 1902. Interment took place at Wadena last Sunday.

Charles Griswold, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M., Minnesota, died at the city hospital Saint Paul, Monday evening, December 24, 1906.

Dr. Griswold was born in North Manchester, Conn., Oct. 7, 1832. He graduated from Pine Grove seminary at North Manchester in 1850, and also from Bennett Medical college, Chicago, in 1880. He passed several years in the ministry of the Methodist church, occupying several prominent positions, for six years holding the position of presiding elder. He was chaplain of the Minnesota heavy artillery during its term of service in the Civil war. He was elected to the legislature in 1865. He has resided in St. Paul since 1870, where he was in the active practice of his profession until recently. Brother Griswold, then a member of Rising Sun Lodge No. 49, at St. Charles, was appointed Grand Chaplain in 1870, elected Deputy Grand Master at the eighteenth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, Jan. 12, 1871, re-elected Jan. 11, 1872, and was elected Grand Master Jan. 15, 1873, re-elected Jan. 15, 1874 and Jan. 13, 1875, retiring Jan. 13, 1876. Brother Griswold served the Grand Lodge on various important committees and has long been a member and chairman of the Board of Custodians. Brother Griswold was an Honorary member of Minneapolis Lodge No. 19. Funeral services were conducted by St. Paul Lodge No. 3, last Thursday afternoon at Central Park M. E. Church, burial was at Oakland cemetery. It may be said of him as he said of another: "At this ripe age, full of honors, in an honorable service, has passed away another of the human links which bound the present with the past; and the Craft throughout the country will mourn his loss, and extend their heartfelt sympathies to his bereaved family."

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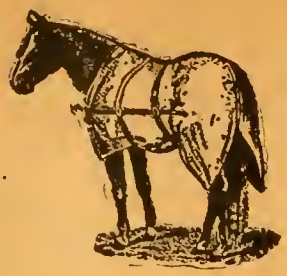
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Master Mason Degree.

THURSDAY EVENING.
STATED.

Braden 168 (St. P.), 5th bet. W. & St. Peter.
Installation of Officers.
Excelsior Lodge of Perfection No.2, Mas. Tem

FRIDAY EVENING.
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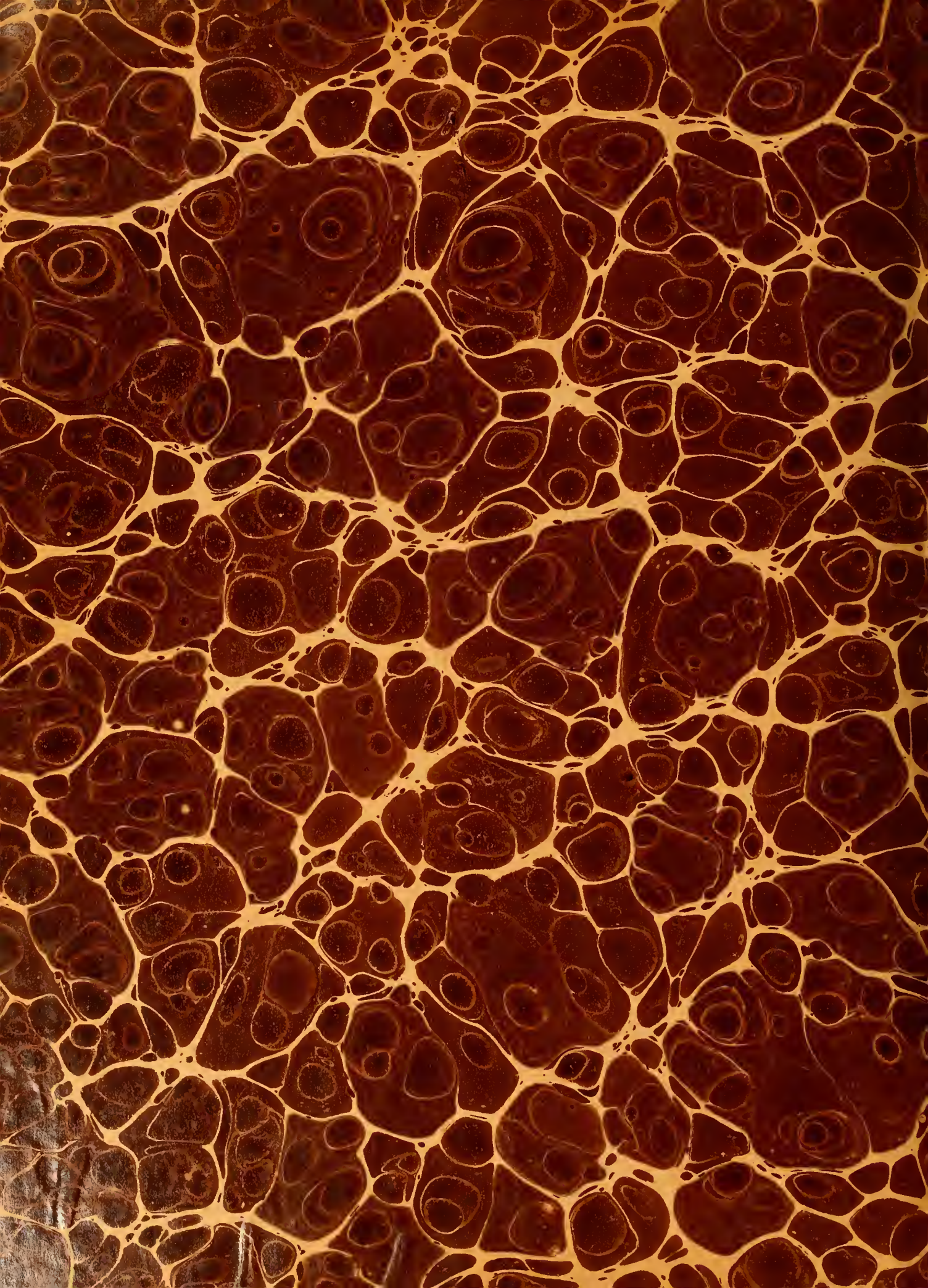
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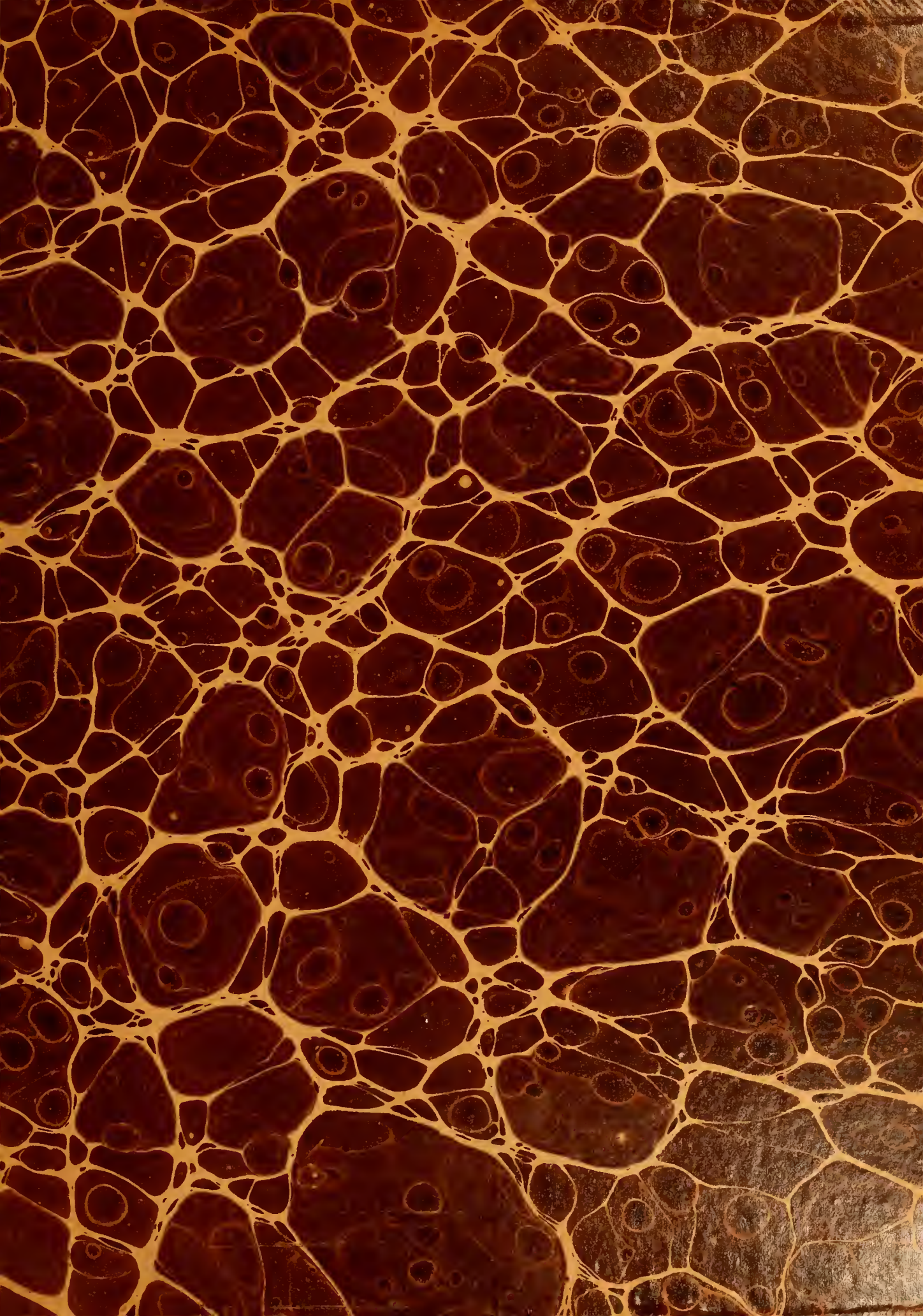
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